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## THREE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

### THE AFRICA AT HALIFAX.

### Reception of the News of the Fredericksburgh Disaster.

### An Early Peace Considered Improbable.

### DISORDERS IN GREECE.

### A Further Advance in Cotton—Breadstuffs Firm.

HALIFAX, Saturday, Jan. 9.

The steamship *Africa*, from Liverpool, at 11 o'clock on the morning of the 27th, off Queenstown, on the 28th of December, arrived here at 8¼ o'clock this morning. She did not call off Cape Race. Her dates are three days later than those already received.

The *Africa* has forty-six passengers for Boston.

The *Africa* sailed at 5 o'clock this afternoon for Boston, where she will be due on Saturday evening.

The *Africa* reports: Spoke, on the 27th of December, the ship *Kendal*, entering the port of Liverpool; and on the 5th inst., lat. 45° 7', lon. 50° 25', steamship *Great Western*.

The steamship *China*, from New-York, arrived at Queenstown at 9 o'clock on the morning of the 27th of December.

The steamship *City of Manchester*, from New-York, reached Liverpool on the night of the 23d of December.

The Bullions had constantly augmented business.

The political news is also a blank.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The London *Daily News* editorially denounces the miserable spite which is constantly being shown between Americans and Englishmen, which creates and sustains a risk of war. It looks on the contribution to relieve the Lancashire distress as an honest and true manifestation of the abiding American feeling toward England, and sets them against the many belligerent threats, having nothing in them but the passion of the moment. Its conclusion follows:

"On the whole we rest in the conviction that there will be no war between the two countries, but whether there is war or not, the responsibility for it already rests with those of our country who, out of the repose of peace at home speak and write whatever is most irritating to a people subject to the irritations of revolution and war.

The steamship *City of Manchester* took out, off Cape Race, the remainder of the news before Fredericksburgh on the 16th of December.

The London *Times* thinks that if Mr. Lincoln thinks that he is retiring to force or strategy when he has lost, he will prove himself a great General. Renewed attacks upon an enemy after a day's interval do not often succeed, but he may possibly carry the works of the enemy or turn them. If, however, he should fail once more, he will put himself in the most disastrous position known to a General, and an enterprising enemy, according to the rules of warfare, ought to destroy him here and now.

The London *Times* again adverts to and dissects the recent American diplomatic correspondence, and says had Secretary SEWARD consulted his own reputation he would not have published many of these letters, which are essentially private ones.

Writing before the battle of Fredericksburgh, the New-York correspondent of the London *Times* eulogizes the passage of the Rappahannock River by the Federal forces as one of the noblest episodes of the war.

In a subsequent telegram, per the *China*, the same correspondent pronounces the battle of Fredericksburgh as one of the fiercest and decidedly the most sanguinous of the war to the Federal army. He says: "The Federal troops fought with the most determined courage, but the position of Gen. LEE was impregnable."

FRANCE.

The Pope of Rome had sent 10,000 francs to France for the relief of the distressed workingmen in the Department of the Lower Seine, as a mark of sympathy and gratitude for tokens of devotion received from France.

Rumors had been current of a proposed new treaty between France and Spain relative to Mexico, but they are said to be without foundation.

Cardinal MORLOT, Archbishop of Paris, was seriously ill, and had received the "extreme unction."

The Paris Bourse was flat, but closed firmer, the Rentes being quoted at 69f. 50c.

ITALY.

GARIBALDI arrived at Caprera on the 23d of December.

The Pope did not officiate at the Vatican on Christmas Day, owing to a slight indisposition. He, however, received the Diplomatic Corps.

INDIA, CHINA AND AUSTRALIA.

The mails from Calcutta to Nov. 22, Hong Kong to Nov. 24, and Sydney to the 21st of October, had reached England, and were forwarded per the *Africa*.

The news is unimportant.

A Bombay telegram, of Dec. 12, reports Shirtings dull. Cotton tractive. Exchange, 2s. 9¾d.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.

Cape of Good Hope mails to the 21st of November had been received in England. The news was unimportant.

The civil war in Transvaal had terminated.

THE GREEK QUESTION.

It is asserted that two of the great Powers are not in favor of the Ionian Islands being ceded to Greece, on the ground that if the present protectorate ceased, they would become a permanent focus of intervention.

The uncertainty as to the future King was giving rise to disorder in various parts of Greece.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE VIA QUEENSTOWN.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday Evening, Dec. 27.

There is no political news of importance.

The *Chinese* news, giving the particulars of the defeat of the Federal forces before Fredericksburgh, has been the universal topic of conversation to-day.

The friends of the North are greatly disappointed at the result of the battle.

The general deduction drawn in Liverpool from the result was unfavorable for an early peace.

The London *Times* again adverts to the animosity of the Federals against England. It assumes that lack of sympathy in England for the war is the only cause of offence, and justifies that cause.

The London *Daily News* replies to a letter from Mr. BURTON, Member of Parliament, in which that gentleman questions the effect of Mr. LINCOLN's Emancipation scheme, and says it prefers to believe that the salvation, both of the negro and white race, will spring out of the war, rather than to accept Mr. BURTON's sinister predictions.

Commercial News Per Africa.

HAVRE, Wednesday, Dec. 24.

COTTON—Sales of the week, 9,000 bales. Market firm and steady. New-Orleans *fres ordinaire*, 34f. francs; do. fair, 36f francs. Stock in port, 81,000 bales.

LONDON, Saturday, Dec. 27.

Messrs. BARNES' Circular reports business unprecedented in consequence of the heavy rain. Breadstuffs firm. Rice dull. Sugar firm.

American Securities are not mentioned in the Circular, there having been nothing done therein.

The Bullion in the Bank of England has decreased £241,000.

THE LATEST.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday, Dec. 27—Evening.

Business is still suspended by the holidays, and there is talk of quiet transactions in Cotton at a further advance.

BREADSTUFFS are quiet, but firmer.

LONDON, Saturday, Dec. 27—Evening.

The Stock Exchange resumed business to-day.

Consols are quoted on the close at 93¾@93¾ for money.

Erie shares, 42@43.

Illinois Central Shares, 45@47 premium.

PARIS, Saturday, Dec. 27.

The Bourse is firm at 69f. 60c. for the Rentes.

## IMPORTANT FROM KENTUCKY.

### Gov. Robinson's Message to the Legislature.

### He Recommends the State to Reject the Emancipation Proclamation.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Thursday, Jan. 8.

The State Legislature met to-day.

The Message of Gov. ROBINSON recommends that Kentucky reject President LINCOLN's Proclamation to liberate the slaves, and protests against any interference with her State policy as unwarranted by the Constitution.

He thinks that the Proclamation giving freedom to the slaves in the rebellious States inflicts upon Kentucky a fatal and indirectest blow.

He says that the saddest feat of the Proclamation will be to fire the whole South into one burning mass of inextinguishable hate.

The Proclamation will destroy all hope of restoring the Union, which is only possible by adhering to the Constitution as it was.

Further than that, the most alarming aspect of the Proclamation is the usurpation of powers of government by the President under the specious plea of military necessity.

Gov. ROBINSON concludes his message by advising the Legislature to place on record their plea against the Proclamation.

## IMPORTANT FROM SUFFOLK.

### A Fight Imminent between the Forces under Gens. Corcoran and Fryer.

BALTIMORE, Friday, Jan. 9.

A correspondent of the *American*, at Suffolk, says that Gen. CORCORAN yesterday advanced on the rebels on the Black water in force, and will give Gen. FRYER an opportunity for a fight at last.

## FROM FORTRESS MONROE.

### Movements of Iron-Clads, &c.

BALTIMORE, Friday, Jan. 9.

The *American* learns that Capt. CASS, late of the steamer *Minnesota*, who has just received orders to take command of the *Iroquois*, just completed at New-York, came up by the Old Point to-day.

The new iron-clad *Patapsco*, built at Wilmington, Del., had arrived at Hampton Roads, after an excellent trip. Notwithstanding a rough sea, the boat was easily managed.

The steam frigate *Colorado* went to sea from Hampton Roads yesterday, under sealed orders.

FORTRESS MONROE, Thursday, Jan. 8.

The iron-clad *Patapsco* arrived in Hampton Roads last evening; also the steamship *S. R. Spaulding*.

The flag of truce steamboat *New-York*, from Washington, D. C., arrived from Fortress Monroe this forenoon, and left this afternoon for City Point, having on board about 350 women and children.

The steamboat *Metamora*, with flag of truce, left for City Point this afternoon, with about 125 women and children from Norfolk, and in charge of Capt. J. A. JUDSON.

The Massachusetts Legislature.

GOV. ANDREW'S MESSAGE.

BOSTON, Friday, Jan. 9.

Gov. ANDREW's Message was delivered to-day. It is a very lengthy and comprehensive document.

The public debt of the State is $5,257,000; the designated provision to meet which is $5,096,000. The disbursements of the past year amounted to $1,623,391. The collections of revenue have been promptly made, and the treasury presents a spectacle of prosperity and strength usual only in peace.

The aggregate number of troops raised by the State is 50,000.

The banking institutions are reported to be in a sound condition. The Governor reiterates his former suggestion that radical changes in the financial system should be adopted with great caution.

Much space is devoted to educational subjects and the establishment of a college for instruction in agriculture, the mechanic arts and military tactics.

All the material interests of the State are represented as prosperous.

In conclusion, the Governor alluded to the patriotism of the Massachusetts soldiers, and says: "Unselfish, in no double sense, we have held from the beginning that the Government, greater than any class of men or of interests, has an original right to the devoted and hearty service of every subject and power. We deny the righteousness of the rebellion, and we are in arms against it, and we have equally denied that the rebel States could be rightfully allowed to impose their treasonable will upon any human being, whose interest or desires would make him loyal. While our wives surrender their husbands and our fathers their sons to all the perils of dreadful war waged by the rebellion, we have never discovered a reason why the rebels should retain their slaves and compel them to be rebels too. Supporting always the Government without conditions as to its policy, we rejoice with unutterable joy that its policy is that of human nature, and not that of human servitude; and we hail the returning day of the civic virtues which our national departure from the practice of justice and the principles of our fathers had discouraged in the North and overthrown in the South.

In a few brief years, we shall have paid the national debt incurred during the present war by the enlarged value which freedom will have given to the property of the rebel States, the increased productive ability of freed men over slaves, and their multiplied power to buy and consume the products of our manufactories and arts. The people of America will have saved the Union, saved democratic republican liberty, both menaced by the same dangers, will have perpetuated the Government, magnified the Constitution and made it honorable, and will have crowned a great career of glory with an act of expedient justice unequaled in its grandeur in all the history of mankind."

The Michigan United States Senatorship.

DETROIT, Mich., Friday, Jan. 9.

The Legislature yesterday reelected Mr. CHANDLER United States Senator for six years.

## NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

### Important Schemes of Government Finance.

### SECRETARY CHASE IN NEW-YORK.

### The Proposed Ship Canal from the Mississippi to Lake Michigan.

### Passage of Appropriation Bills in the House.

OUR SPECIAL WASHINGTON DISPATCHES.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Jan. 9.

THE FINANCES OF THE GOVERNMENT.

Mr. ROBERT J. WALKER, Ex-Secretary of the Treasury, has come to the aid of Mr. CHASE's financial policy, in a very able article, prepared for the *Continental Monthly*, and which is published here to-day, in advance. The writer clearly perceives the present danger to the country from infidelity of the currency, and fully sustains Secretary CHASE's conservative financial measures. It is believed that his facts and arguments, which are presented with remarkable ability, will have a healthy influence on the sentiment of Congress and the country.

Mr. FESSENDEN, to-day, reported from the Senate Finance Committee the bill, drawn by Secretary CHASE, to which we alluded in yesterday's dispatch. The bill is intended to furnish temporary relief to the Treasury, and authorizes the Secretary to borrow, on the credit of the Government, two hundred millions dollars, to pay arrearages due to the army and navy. For one hundred millions, he may issue coupon or registered six per cent. bonds, payable at the pleasure of Government after ten years; for fifty millions, he may issue Treasury Notes, payable in two years, and drawing four per cent. interest, and receivable for all public dues except customs; and for the remaining fifty millions, he may issue legal tender notes without interest.

The Secretary also addressed a letter to the Committee of Ways and Means late last evening, asking provisions for the temporary relief of the Treasury, in case the Committee intend to report his bank and finance measures together, and inquiring their decision upon that question. Mr. STEVENS immediately replied in a note informing the Secretary that the Committee had acted unanimously to separate the two measures.

SECRETARY CHASE left for New-York at 11 o'clock train this morning.

RECONSTRUCTION.

The Committee of the House, to whom are referred the Senate bill and House bill for the relief of the Unionists in the rebellious States, have agreed to instruct their Chairman to report a bill appropriating ten millions dollars to aid the State of Maryland in emancipating her slaves.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA AND GEORGIA LANDS.

Mr. SUMNER to-day introduced into the Senate a bill suspending the sale for taxes of the sea islands along the coast of Georgia and South Carolina. It is alleged that to allow the sales to be made now, will materially interfere with the present industrial operations there, by the freedmen now in occupation.

THE PROPOSED SHIP CANAL.

Mr. WILSON's bill, introduced into the Senate to-day, for constructing a ship canal connecting Lake Michigan with the Mississippi River, and for enlarging the locks of the Erie and Oswego Canals of New-York, is an important measure, designed to provide for the easy defence of the Northwestern Lakes. It appropriates $12,000,000 for the ship canal, and $3,000,000 for the Erie enlargement—all to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of War, and the work to be in charge of three Commissioners—one to be appointed by the President, one by the State of Illinois, and one to be detailed from the Topographical Bureau.

Mr. OTIS to-day presented to the House an amendment to the bill for the enlargement of the Erie Canal as a military measure, and which is intended as a substitute for the original bill. It provides for the issue of Government bonds, to be paid by future appropriation.

THE BUTCHERS AND THE REVENUE LAW.

The Committee of Ways and Means to-day heard the complaints of a delegation of butchers, desirous of procuring one-half reduction of the taxes on slaughtered animals.

THE POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS.

The Committee will report the Post-office appropriation bill on Monday. It provides for twenty millions dollars.

THE TAX BILL.

The Committee will also soon be prepared to report the tax bill, as it has been amended.

THE MCDOWELL COURT OF INQUIRY.

In the McDOWELL Court of Inquiry, the testimony of Gen. ROSECRANS was continued. He stated that JACKSON could not attack BANKS' Army at Cedar Mountain, because BANKS was well posted for defence; that BANKS attacked JACKSON and fought the battle of Cedar Mountain on his own responsibility, against the expectations of POPE; that BANKS was misinformed, and believed the enemy weaker and himself stronger than they actually were; that POPE's intention was to concentrate BANKS', McDOWELL's and SIGEL's corps and attack JACKSON with a superior number on the 16th of August; that if POPE's plan had been carried out, JACKSON would doubtless have been captured; that SIGEL did not follow BANKS to the battle-field, as ordered, but that McDOWELL went to BANKS' aid without orders.

ELECTION OF UNITED STATES SENATOR IN VIRGINIA.

An election is soon to be held by the Virginia Legislature, convened at Wheeling, of a member of the United States Senate to succeed Mr. WILEY, whose term will expire on the 4th of March next.

The loyal citizens of West Virginia will urge their claims upon the Legislature, and present as a candidate Hon. JOSIAH SEGER, present member of the House of Representatives from the Accomac District. Mr. SEGER is one of the ablest men in the State, and his unswerving fidelity to the Government, and the personal sacrifices it has cost him, are the best possible tests of his trustworthiness for the position.

THE CASE OF GEN. BUTLER.

President LINCOLN, with that frankness which is one of the best features of his character, does not deny to his friends that the recall of Gen. BUTLER was an error. Not only is there no charge on file against him which could be made the basis of any such action, but each day develops more clearly the fact that his administration of affairs in the Department of the Gulf has been pre-eminently a success in every respect.

The interviews of Gen. BUTLER with the President after his return were curious. That Gen. BUTLER had been treated unfairly, was undeniable by the President; but to repair the wrong was a position difficult of solution. The General, without any department form courtesy, spoke his sentiments with great frankness, and asked, as an act of justice, to be reassigned to the old command. The final answer to this request has not yet been given; and it is not at all unlikely that it may be granted. Gen. BANKS in this case being provided for in Texas.

The history of the change is also curious. It originated in the wish of Gen. BANKS himself to head an expedition to Texas; and his request to this effect was willingly granted by the President, who desired to consult his wishes. How this expedition of some ten thousand men grew into one of forty thousand, and carried with it the command of the entire Department of the Gulf, is not known in detail; but it is believed in official circles here, to have been due to the skillful prestidigitation of a prominent member of the Cabinet, who had the whole matter arranged before its consequences became apparent to the Presidential mind. The outcome of the affair it is not best to expose.

It is certain that the President fully appreciates the great capacity of Gen. BUTLER, and desires to do what will make his services most useful to the country, and at the same time to repair the wrong done him.

IMPORTANCE OF THE BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD.

The Government demand for coal has made the opening of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad a national benefit on this account, as well as from its necessity, as a military thoroughfare. Large accumulations of coal, long excluded from the market, are now coming forward, and the resources of this road are now taxed to their utmost capacity to deliver the amount of this freight seeking transportation.

There seems now to be no doubt that the road will be effectually protected throughout its entire length. An ample force has been detailed by the Government for that purpose; and it is correctly presumed that the rebels can, ever again, succeed in cutting this great artery of travel and freight, so necessary to the prosperity of the Southwest, as well as to the comfort and economy of the East.

A SWINDLING ADVERTISEMENT.

We are requested by the Surgeon-General to call attention to the following paragraph, which he pronounces entirely unauthorized:

"To the Sisters of our Women.—Five gentlemen of good standing, various ex-officers of the First Regiment Ambulance and Sanitary Corps, organized under direction of the Surgeon-General, are at Washington Hall, 114 Broadway, New-York."

The impudence of the Medical Department is thus exceeded only by its credulity.

An Assistant Surgeon, who was formerly Major C. L. Brewster, of the Twelfth New-York Volunteers, is mentioned, as he was discharged, the service by resignation preferred to his being reported by the Surgeon-General for absence without leave—the offence for which he was dismissed.

TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Jan. 9.

AFFAIRS ON THE RAPPAHANNOCK.

Information from the Army of the Potomac shows that our pickets extend from Falmouth to King George Court-House, about 22 miles distant from the former point.

Contrabands agree in stating that rebel incursions are nightly made below the Court-House, for a long distance, and negroes are carried away and sent South.

The greater portion, however, of the slaves on the long neck of land between the Rappahannock and Potomac rivers, have already made their escape to our lines, bringing with them their masters' teams and other property. They avail themselves of the night for their exodus.

FINANCES.

Senator FESSENDEN's finance measure, in amendment, of the House scheme, authorizes the borrowing of $200,000,000—$100,000,000 in coupon bonds, at an interest not exceeding six per centum; $50,000,000 to be issued in Treasury notes, payable in two years, and bearing interest at four per centum, and $50,000,000 in legal tender notes, without interest. This bill also authorizes the issue of fractional bills less than one dollar, in addition to postal currency, exchangable in sums of three dollars for notes or stamps, or other public dues.

REVENUE DECISION.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that grave-stones and monuments made to order from the rough material, from plans or designs, are not manufactures under the Excise law, and, as such, are exempt from taxation, provided that no monument or grave-stone shall be considered as made to order which is wrought further than the block or slab before the order for it is given.

NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED.

The Senate to-day confirmed the nominations of ALEXANDER W. RANDALL, of Wisconsin, to be First Assistant Paymaster-General; SETH C. HAWLEY, of New-York, as Consul to Nassau, N. P.; WILLIAM C. MCCREARY, Postmaster at Zanesville, Ohio; Capts. FARRAGUT, GOLDBOROUGH, DUPONT and FOOTE, to be Rear Admirals in the Navy, from the 16th of July, 1862, on the active list, and Capt. CHARLES STEWART to be a Rear Admiral from the same date, on the retired list.

NOMINATION.

ROBERT W. TAYLOR has been nominated for First Comptroller of the Treasury, vice WHITTLESEY, deceased.

OUR WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENCE.

ROWDYISM IN CONGRESS—THE SCENE IN THE HOUSE ON THURSDAY, ETC.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Jan. 8.

To-day there was an attempt at reviving that pro-Abscamite feature of Congress—rowdyism in the House. That is to say, the feebleness and least numerous of the impotent junta of members who seize every occasion to dampen loyal ardor, made an exhibition of the manners of the District which he represents.

Perhaps the last sentence does injustice to your Sixth Ward. The "roughs" of New-York and other cities, however addicted to arguments harder than words, have the reputation of honoring their country's flag and despising traitors. And Mr. KERRIGAN only succeeds in imitating their vices. He is a New-York b'hoy, with the pureness lost out.

Since the rebel exodus of last, both Houses and Senate have made up in order what they lacked in ability. No more rejoicing night sessions; no singing up and down bronze stairways leading to bad oysters and worse rum; no speech-making with pistol in pocket and heady-cling on desk; no multitudinous condolence of angry men toward the open central space, fronting the Speaker's desk, where so often a word or a sign would have been the cue to deathful conflict. The Capital has taken a blast from the Capitol. Military occupation, prolonged through two years, has made it a kind of pandemonium; but we have had more revelling and trickery than quarrelsome feuds. Despite the omnipresence of large and small jobbers, place-hunters, gamblers, shrewsers, harlots, thieves and what not; despite the slaughter and surplusage of the army, the hordes of deserters, and the hungry unpaid soldiers who throng the streets by day and night, there has been less ruffianism, there have been fewer hand-to-hand encounters in Washington since the war commenced, than for any decade period during the previous decade. Thus immorality has been the decline of chivalry. There are but waiting those who sigh over it, who think that

"Now indeed the true old times are dead,
When every morning brought a noble chance,
And every chance brought out a noble knight."

But these mourners are only to be found among those parties whose interwoven measures clear loyal legislation; whose regard for constitutional Southern rights prompts them to spasmodic outcrops of the banished Southern customs of decade.

To the general audience, then, Mr. KERRIGAN appeared this afternoon, while stealing his data at Mr. THADDEUS STEVENS and uttering incoherent abuse, as a disjointed, rather intoxicated, very angry, and altogether weak and silliest young man—like anything but a legislator and peer of the legislators who hooted him. The sturdy old leader of the House reminded those who sprang to preserve order, that the gentleman from New-York had been so recently discharged from duress that his abuse of liberty was not strange. Members laughed; MESSRS. KERRIGAN and WOOD found themselves ridiculous, and retired in confusion upon their supports from Kentucky and Ohio.

It is strange that man who are broken from Connecticut, for good cause, should be eligible to the Bench in New-York and to the Halls of Congress in Washington.

For a few weeks past the Compromise faction in the House have been very quiet and undemonstrative, apparently satiated with the opposition triumphs in the State elections—perhaps awaiting a signal-gun from Albany. But the victory at Murfreesboro has fairly tried their spirits, and *blue ile look gone to-day*.

The veteran Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, stalwart patriot as he is, has, however, given some recent solicitude to more thoughtful supporters of the Government, by his crotchets relative to the states of the disloyal States. It will be remembered that, when the bill for the admission of West Virginia was under debate, he intimated an intent to support it, whether it were Constitutional or not. One of the President's advisers, strongly adverse to the bill on Constitutional grounds, has said that the above declaration, from such a man, caused him more sorrow than did either battle of Bull Run; that the rupture of our most vital legal obligations would be a beginning like "the letting out of water."

Mr. STEVENS holds that States which have rebelled have no Constitutional rights. In the sense, true; but deeper thinkers feel that a rebel State must not be allowed to forfeit its Constitutional rights any more than its obligations; that a State cannot be allowed to take its own life. We should call the Doctor and petition the stomach pump—not add to the dose of poison.

The difference, however, between the West-Kentucky and that on the strength of which Kentucky calls Mr. STEVENS a "traitor" is, that the latter arises from causes of paralytic kind, while the former is supposed to be dictated by quite an opposite cause. The public is at no loss to judge between the two.

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## IMPORTANT FROM MISSOURI.

### FIGHTING AT SPRINGFIELD.

### Gen. Brown Severely Wounded.

### OUR TROOPS BEING REINFORCED.

### The Rebels After Army Stores, Arms and Ammunition.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Thursday, Jan. 8.

Gen. CURTIS has received the following dispatch from Gen. BROWN:

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Jan. 8—2 P. M.

The enemy are crowding the fighting, but my men are behaving well. I am holding all the strong positions. The enemy must fight as I want him to, whether he likes it or not. Gen. BROWN.

Dr. MCKEEVER has just sent the following dispatch, dated this afternoon:

"Gen. BROWN is badly wounded. There has been no severe fighting since noon. The enemy are in large force. The rebels took one of our guns, were repulsed at dark. Militia reinforcements are coming in. Prisoners say that Gen. MARMADUKE is in command of the rebels, and will be reinforced to-night."

ST. LOUIS, Friday, Jan. 9.

Telegraphic communication with Springfield ceased at 2 o'clock this morning.

The enemy entered our stockade yesterday afternoon. Our force was reported to be 2,000 strong, with two pieces of artillery. Springfield contains a very large amount of army stores, arms and ammunition.

Fifteen four-horse teams, and thirty men belonging to the Telegraph Corps, were supposed to be captured a few miles south of Springfield.

Gen. BROWN's left shoulder is badly shattered. He would have to submit to amputation to save his life.

PROBABLE CAPTURE OF SPRINGFIELD.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Friday, Jan. 9.

Communication with Springfield is still broken.

A party sent from Rolleton to repair the line had not been heard from, and apprehensions are felt that they have been captured.

The opinion strongly prevails that Springfield has been taken.

## REBEL REPORTS FROM VICKSBURG.

CAIRO, Friday, Jan. 9.

There is nothing from Vicksburgh to-day.

The Jackson *Appeal*, of the 3d, characterizes the fight at that place as a trivial affair, so far as the rebels are concerned. It says their loss is small, and places the Federal loss at 2,000. It regards the falling back as a trap, augering no good for the rebel cause.

The telegraph is in working order from here to Memphis.

## IMPORTANT FROM TENNESSEE.

### General Rosecrans Following up the Rebels.

### His Army Ten Miles Beyond Murfreesboro.

### Arrival of Large Quantities of Supplies at Nashville.

### Gen. Rosecrans Complimented by the President and Gen. Halleck.

NASHVILLE, Thursday, Jan. 8.

Murfreesboro is entirely deserted.

Our army and Gen. ROSECRANS headquarters have advanced ten miles beyond that place.

The rebel army is reported to be at Tullahoma.

The Federal gunboat W. K. STRONG, T. W. VAN DUZER commanding, has arrived here with 101 (?) transports from Clarksville, bringing 2,000 bbls. flour, 16,000 pounds bacon, 900 sacks oats, and 1,000 bushels shelled corn.

The gunboat captured two Confederate Captains with horses and mules.

The river is 3½ feet deep on the shoals.

NASHVILLE, Friday, Jan. 9.

One thousand rebel prisoners were sent North by rail to-day. Two hundred arrived from Murfreesboro. Gen. ROSECRANS orders all captured rebel officers confined, until DAVIS' order is revoked; the rebel prisoners to subsist on army rations; the food contributed by friends to be confiscated to hospital use; and the repetition of such contribution to constitute a full offence.

There is a heavy rain to-night. The river is stationary. There are seventeen steamers at the foot of Harpeth Shoals.

THE PRESIDENT TO GEN. ROSECRANS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.

*To Maj.-Gen. Rosecrans:*

Your dispatch announcing the retreat of the enemy has just reached here. God bless you and all with you. Please tender to all, and accept for yourself, the nation's gratitude for your and their skill, endurance and decisive courage.

A. LINCOLN.

GEN. HALLECK TO GEN. ROSECRANS.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 9, 1863.

*Maj.-Gen. W. S. Rosecrans, Commanding Army of the Cumberland:*

GENERAL: Rebel accounts fully confirm your telegrams from the battle-field.

The victory was well earned, and is one of the most brilliant of the war.

You and your brave army have won the gratitude of your country, and the admiration of the world.

The field of Murfreesboro is made Memorial, and future generations will point out the places where so many heroes fell gloriously, in defence of the Constitution and the Union.

All honor to the Army of the Cumberland.

Thanks to the living, and tears for the honored dead.

H. W. HALLECK,
General-in-Chief.

## THE EAST TENNESSEE RAID.

### Official Report of General Carter's Daring Operations.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 7, 1863.

*Major-Gen. H. W. Halleck, General-in-Chief, Washington:*

SIR: I have just received a dispatch from Major-Gen. G. GRANGER, that the cavalry force of about one thousand men, which he sent to East Tennessee on the 21st ult., under the command of Brig. Gen. H. CARTER, to destroy the East Tennessee Railroad bridges, etc., has been heard from.

Gen. GRANGER has just received a dispatch from Gen. CARTER, at Winchester, Ky., who is on his return, stating that on the 30th ult., he entirely destroyed the Union and Watauga Bridges, with ten miles of railroad. Five hundred and fifty rebels were killed, wounded and taken prisoners, seven hundred stand of arms, and a large amount of flour, salt and other rebel stores; and, also, a locomotive and two cars were destroyed.

A brisk skirmish took place at the Watauga Bridge, and another at Jonesville. We lost but few men.

This expedition, as characterized by Gen. GRANGER, has been one of the most hazardous and daring of the war.

It was attended with great hardships and privations, owing to the almost impracticable nature of the country, the length of the route, of nearly two hundred miles each way, and the inclement season.

The important results of this expedition can hardly be overrated, severing as it has the main rebel army communication between Virginia and the Southwest.

Gen. CARTER and his officers and men deserve the thanks of the country.

Great credit is also due to Major-Gen. GRANGER, under whose immediate supervision the expedition was fitted out, and whose long cavalry experience was a guarantee that nothing tending to the success would be neglected or forgotten.

H. G. WRIGHT, Maj.-Gen. Commanding.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GEN. HALLECK.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 9, 1863.

*Maj.-Gen. Wright, Cincinnati:*

The daring operations and brilliant achievements of Gen. CARTER and his command are without a parallel in the history of the war, and deserve the thanks of the country. This expedition has proved the capacity of our cavalry for bold and dashing movements, which I doubt not will be imitated by others.

H. W. HALLECK, General-in-Chief.

## ADVICES FROM MOBILE.

### "General Hardship" in the City—The Pirate Gracie Still in the Harbor, &c.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Jan. 9.

Private letters from the blockading fleet off Mobile, dated Dec. 26, says that many deserters to the United States from the rebel fleet and neighborhood, state that "General Hardship" commands in Mobile. Beef once a week—oysters at all other times—no sugar, no tea, no coffee.

The pirate *Gracie* is still in harbor. Our fleet expect her to stay there. Nothing has been entering or leaving the harbor since Capt. PEGRAM's departure, save one sloop with cotton, which, getting out, was captured by our cruisers, and a cotton-laden schooner, which, getting out under cover of a stormy night, "found her heart failing her," and endeavored to run back again, lost her footing and went on to the breakers too nearly under the guns of Fort Morgan to enable our squadron to indulge in any inspection; but by way of making everything sure, she was burned on fire, and was utterly destroyed.

Everything is dead and dismal in Mobile, the place having become hardly worth taking.

# THE BANKS OF NEW-YORK.

**Abstract of the Annual Report of the Superintendent of the Banking Department.**

**Submitted to the Legislature Jan. 8, 1863.**

The Superintendent of the Banking Department has submitted for the consideration of the Legislature the following as his Annual Report:

The number of banks, banking associations and individual bankers doing business within the State at the close of the fiscal year, was three hundred and five. There were, at the same period, in addition to the number stated, fifty-three closing and insolvent banks, whose notes are in process of redemption, either by their boards, or under the direction of this Department.

[illegible] associations, with an aggregate capital of $1,500,000, and six indidual bankers, have deposited for security securities and contributed the business of banking during the last fiscal year.

The amount of securities held in trust in this Department on Sept. 30, 1862, was as follows:

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| For Banking Associations and individual bankers | $28,317,921 58 |
| For Incorporated Banks (under special laws) | 65,369 14 |
| For Trust Companies | 200,000 00 |
| Total | $36,642,310 98 |

The amount of circulating notes issued and outstanding on the books of this Department at the same period, was:

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| To Banking Associations and individual bankers | $26,362,449 00 |
| To Incorporated Banks | 7,977,397 00 |
| Total | $32,339,826 00 |

Of this sum there was in the vaults of the banks on the 30th of September, 1862, (as appears by the quarterly reports of that date,) $4,666,453, leaving in actual circulation $27,673,373.

The actual circulation reported Sept. 21, 1861, was $22,015,745; showing an increase of $5,657,628 during the year.

The total amount of New-York stock held Dec. 1, 1862, was $18,512,215 18, and of United States stock, at the same date, $12,729,450. With the exception of $414,466 67 Illinois and Michigan stock, all the stock held in trust by this Department has been issued under the authority of this State and of the United States.

The amount of securities transferred by the Department, and countersigned in the State treasury for the year, was:

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| Stocks | $1,468,621 |
| Bonds and mortgages | 579,000 |
| Total | $2,047,621 |

The Brockport Exchange Bank is the only one that has failed during the fiscal year. The securities were sold by the Superintendent and the notes redeemed at par.

REDEMPTION OF NOTES OF INSOLVENT BANKS.

It will be observed, from the statements herewith submitted, that there is now on deposit, in various banks, to the credit of the Superintendent of this Department, the sum of $103,739 60. This money is held in trust for the redemption of the outstanding notes of banks which have failed, or have ceased business voluntarily, and by expiration of charter. A considerable share of the amount thus held, results from the sale of securities belonging to Banks which failed a number of years ago. An act which shall provide for closing these long standing accounts, and after due notice for the presentation of claims, depositing the balance of funds in the State Treasury, would seem just to the public, as it would be lessening to the responsibilities of this Department.

EXPIRED INCORPORATED BANKS.

The charters of the following incorporated Banks, viz: Cayuga County Bank, Chemung Canal Bank, Herkimer County Bank, Seneca County Bank, Seventh Ward Bank, Troy City Bank, and Westchester County Bank, expire on the 1st of January, 1863. *They have severally (with the exception of the* Seneca County Bank) filed articles of association under the provisions of the General Banking law, and will continue business at the same location. It is satisfactory to add, that no loss to the community has resulted from any failure, as yet, on the part of those Banks whose charters have expired, to make ample provision for the ultimate redemption of all their circulating notes.

DEPOSIT OF SECURITIES BY NEW BANKS.

It is the practice of new institutions to withdraw the deposit of $100,000 or $50,000 required with the certificate of incorporation after the certificate is obtained. It is recommended that $10,000 of the sum shall be left permanently with the Superintendent.

SUSPENSION OF SPECIE PAYMENTS BY THE BANKS.

The most important event in the financial history of the last fiscal year is the suspension of specie payment by the banks of this and other States. The occurrence dates from Dec. 30, 1861, at which time the annual report from this Department had already passed through the press, thus precluding allusion to the subject.

To whatever causes such suspension may be attributable, the event is one of serious moment to the whole community. Conversion of a paper currency into gold and silver, at the will of the holder, is the elementary attribute through which alone its existence can be tolerated. The evils resulting from an irredeemable paper currency are so generally understood and connected as to need no special elucidation. The laws of this State bearing upon the subject are of such unmitigated severity, that where the demand for payment in coin is persistently enforced, the banks have no alternative but compliance or the relinquishment of banking privileges. In view of the immunity granted to the banks by the Legislature, after the suspension of specie payments in 1857, the framers of the present Constitution ordained therein the following inhibitory clause: "The Legislature shall have no power to pass any law, sanctioning in any manner, directly, or indirectly, the suspension of specie payments, by any person, association or corporation issuing bank notes of any description." It is obvious, therefore, that under the unrestricted operation of the laws of this State, an irredeemable paper currency cannot be maintained. It is true, the community might waive for a short period the payment of coin, if there were no extinction demand for the precious metals. Such was the case during the partial suspension of 1857, which, being the result of a mere monetary storm, lasted only three or four months, and therefore fails to invalidate the position that there could be no continued suspension of specie payments by the banks of this State, without the intervention of some saving power not contemplated by the laws and Constitution of New-York.

It is not to be credited that, with this penalty of being forced into immediate liquidation hanging over them, any number of sound and judiciously managed banks would voluntarily incur the hazards resulting from a refusal to redeem their obligations in coin. And yet the resolution to suspend specie payments was primarily adopted by the banks in the City of New-York—by institutions confessedly within the strongest financial condition, in this country for their monetary resources and the intelligence with which these resources are directed. To what cause, then, are we to attribute this action, at once violative of financial honor and at variance with the plainest dictates of prudence?

It is evident, from a reference to the returns made by the banks to this Department, that they were not forced into suspension through the inability of the commercial and business classes to respond to the liabilities due from them. On the contrary, the general prostration of business consequent upon the civil war, had greatly reduced bank credits; whilst a timely forecast had enabled the community so to contract their business operations, as to guard against the disastrous results incident to the unparalleled condition in which the country was placed. The importations were of limited extent, the public exchanges of the interior of the country—the harvests were plentiful, and the prices of the great agricultural staples remunerative. There was at the same time an absence of any financial panic—a fruitful cause of disaster in monetary affairs, as it is in military operations.

In 1857, the temporary suspension of the banks was the result of a commercial revulsion of this character. The banks suspended specie payment in October of that year. During the three months antecedent to the suspension, there was a contraction in the loans and discounts of $20,900,000; a withdrawal of circulation of $5,273,000; a diminution of deposits equal to $20,611,000; a lessening in stocks of $2,264,000; whilst the issues of the banks, immediately prior to suspension, amounted to $27,152,904 of circulation, against $14,321,509 of specie.

In 1861, the banks suspended on the 28th of December. During the previous quarter there had been an increased call for specie coincident (chiefly on Government account) of $14,000,000; an increase in deposits of $12,200,000; an increase in stocks of $18,000,000; whilst the loans had, at the time of suspension, [illegible] $30,000,000. It is evident, therefore, that the suspension at this time was not the result of a want of confidence in the community in the financial stability of the banks; nor did it follow from any inability on the part of those institutions to meet the obligations growing out of their relations to the business public.

It is not to be disguised, however, that the available resources of the banks were not as great at the close of 1861, as they were six months antecedent. Thus, in June, 1861, the aggregate of loans and discounts was $160,177,374; of circulation, $20,617,151; of specie, $41,628,079; of deposits, $108,315,039; of stocks, $64,[illegible]. The banks had seen their specie decrease from $41,628,079, in June, to $28,269,727, in September; and $26,162,213, in December. They had seen their gross liabilities increase from $108,[illegible], in June, to $176,065,000, in September, and $191,[illegible], in December. So also their liabilities to depositors and others had increased from $108,315,039, in June, to $114,[illegible], in September, and $125,[illegible], in December; and for notes in circulation, from $20,617,151, in June, to $23,[illegible], in September, and $[illegible], in December.

The cause of this fluctuation in resources and liabilities arose from the exigency into which the financial affairs of the Government had fallen, by reason of the vast expenditures incident to the suppression of the existing rebellion, and the action of the banks consequent thereupon. Congress, at its extra session in July, 1861, authorized a loan of $[illegible] under various forms of security. Measures were immediately taken to place the loan before the country. But, in the meantime, the necessities of the Government, in clothing, arming and feeding troops—in providing munitions of war, and building a navy—became so urgent as to admit of no delay. The enormous proportions of the national expenditures, on the one hand, and the diffidatory and vacillating notes of Congress in regard to adequate revenues to sustain the credit of the Government, on the other, had well nigh paralyzed the public credit, and the fate of the Government trembling in the balance. In the exigency the banks of New-York, Boston and Philadelphia, with patriotism worthy of the highest praise, placed a large portion of their means at the disposal of the Government. Their action at this crisis served to bridge over the jeopardy chasm in the national treasury, but it also inspired confidence on the part of the public in the pecuniary resources of the Government. In this manner $150,000,000 was negotiated with the banks of the cities named; of which sum $100,000,000 was appropriated to the associated banks of the City of New-York alone. By far the greater part of this sum was paid in gold coin, and the balance in the currency of the banks. The greater part of the loan was negotiated at the following periods, and for the following securities:

1861, Aug. 19—$35,000,100 of 7 3-10 treasury notes.
1861, Oct. 1—$35,000,000 of 7 3-10 treasury notes.
1861, Nov. 16—$17,500,000 of 6 per cent. coupon bonds.
1861, Nov. 16—$17,500,000 of 6 per cent registered stock.

Equal to $105,000,000 at par.

The $70,000,000 of 7 3-10 notes were taken at par. The $35,000,000 of coupon bonds and registered stock cost the banks $33,056,534 54, including the interest accrued from July 1 to Nov. 16, 1861. Of the first loan of $35,000,000 the Government reimbursed the banks, at various times, between the 3d of September, 1861, and the 15th of January, 1862, to the extent of $21,497,402, from sales made to outside parties. The whole amount of the loan thus taken was paid into the Treasury by the associated banks between the 16th of August, 1861, and the 3d of February, 1862; and yet none of the securities to be issued by the Government were received by the banks until the 14th of January, 1862, when the balance of the loan of Aug. 19, issued by the Government, was turned over to them in 7 3-10 notes. Thus, while the banks were continually supplying the National Treasury from their vaults, the only return they received, was in certificates acknowledging the amount of the respective contributions, and not available except as a medium for the settlement of balances between themselves.

Nor was this all. Congress, in view of existing difficulties, by the act approved Aug. 5, 1861, had suspended the "Independent Treasury" law, "so far as to allow the Secretary of the Treasury to deposit any of the moneys obtained on any of the loans now authorized by law, to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, in such *solvent specie paying banks as he may select*; and the said moneys so deposited may be withdrawn from such deposit, for deposit with the regular authorized depositaries, or *for the payment of public dues*, or paid in redemption of the notes authorized to be issued under this act, or the act to which this is supplementary, payable on demand, as may seem expedient to, or be directed by, the Secretary of the Treasury."

The use of this discretionary power, whereby the local banks contributing to the Government loans could have been used for the time being as disbursing agents in the payment of public dues, was not compatible with the views of duty entertained by the Secretary of the Treasury. The call upon the banks for payment into the Government depository of the remaining installments of the loan, either in coin or Treasury notes, was persistently urged. The specie reserve of the banks had diminished from $41,628,079, in June, to $29,102,715, in December; whilst no corresponding return had been made in Government securities, through the sale of which those institutions might have strengthened themselves to meet their remaining engagements to the Government. Thus, with an imperative demand on the one hand, and with diminished resources on the other, it became a question whether depletion should be allowed to proceed to its utmost limit, or whether the connection between the Banks and the Treasury should be broken in season to secure to the former, for ultimate use, so much *of specie as still remained in their vaults.*

It was under these circumstances that the Banks in New-York resolved, on the 28th of December, 1861, to suspend specie payments; and the example was followed by the banks throughout the country. A few institutions have continued to redeem their notes in coin; but their obligations to depositors, and balances due from themselves and other institutions have, I believe, followed in the general train of settlement in paper.

The suspension of specie payments, therefore, is to be traced primarily to the patriotic efforts of the banks in the great cities to sustain the Government. Aside from the obligations thus incurred, the banks of our own State were seldom, if ever, in a better condition to sustain invidious the duty imposed upon them by law for the resumption of their liabilities in the constitutional currency of the country. In this respect they have at all times stood in a safer relation to their engagements, than has the Government to its obligations of a similar character. With the large emission of demand notes rendered necessary by war expenditures, it would have been practicable for the banks to have brought the Government to protest, quite as readily as the latter could have forced such a result on well-managed institutions of the former class. But it is needless to speculate on consequences which might have resulted had the banks stood aloof, regardless of all considerations save their own safety. The Government and bankers are alike the agents of the people, designed to minister to their prosperity, happiness and independence. Each have their appropriate functions, and in a time of great public exigency, each is under obligations to a common constituency to contribute, as far as practicable, to the "general welfare and common defence." Nothing valuable can be gained by arraying them in antagonism. On the contrary, the harmonious and cordial action of moneyed corporations of every character, as well as of individuals, is absolutely essential to the maintenance of the public credit; through which alone can the Government be enabled to thwart the parricidal efforts put forth to destroy the Republican institutions under which we live.

The suspension of specie payments by the banks and Government has come to be regarded by many as an indispensable concomitant to a state of war; especially where the contest is upon a large scale and involves vast expenditures. Such expenditures necessarily involve the creation of large credits, and these are thrown out in such profusion as to forbid their ready conversion into the measure of value recognized by all nations. In time of peace, the balances of trade, however large in amount, are readily adjusted by a mutual interchange of credits and commodities. But a state of war deranges the ordinary operations of trade and commerce, destroys or greatly paralyzes financial confidence, unduly stimulates some branches of production whilst it ruins others, and ushinges those systematic laws of demand and supply, upon which credit relies for its permanency. Hence in convulsions of this nature, it seems quite impossible, amid the conflicting interests that are aroused, and the unforeseen exigencies that arise, to carry forward the operations of war and business upon an unfettered basis of specie payments. At any rate, our experience thus far, in three wars, favors the doctrine that a suspension of specie payments is inseparable from a contest which involves the energies, and affects all the business relations of a nation.

But, whatever might have been the ultimate effect of the pecuniary derangements incident to a condition of war, it is quite certain that up to the period of the alliance between the banks and the General Government, the former were never more fully prepared to meet their subsisting obligations to the community. Under the system of secured circulation which prevails in this State, joined to the individual liability of stockholders, those institutions enjoyed the public confidence to the fullest extent. Strong in this respect, and strong in pecuniary resources, they would have been justly chargeable with unwarrantable selfishness had they failed to respond to the demands of patriotism at a great crisis in the affairs of the country. To their credit be it spoken, they met the exigency with a patriotism and liberality that excited surprise at home and abroad. Had they been met with a corresponding spirit on the part of those in authority; had the burdens assumed been mitigated by prompt action on the part of the Government in the delivery of its securities; had the rigors of the Sub-Treasury system been mitigated by the use of the banks as depositories for loans, to be disbursed in the usual manner through the use of checks, notes and the usual credits, as the demands of the Government might have required, there is every reason for believing the banks would not have been driven to the exigency of breaking faith with the public in respect to the redemption of their notes in specie. Even as it was, they scrupulously fulfilled their engagements with the Government, and on the 4th of February, 1862, made the final payment on the $30,000,000 loan of August 19, 1861, and on the 15th of February, made payment but $7,000,000 of the securities to be furnished had not been received. Nor was such payment made until it had been alleged on the floor of Congress, in the Department report of the banks, but in bills and government notes, many of the latter being of the class receivable for customs.

In thus drawing the attention of the Legislature and the public to the facts connected with the present anomalous condition of our moneyed institutions, I am not actuated either by a querulous spirit toward the Government, or an undue partiality for the banks. Had the latter brought themselves into their present condition by injudicious expenditure, or through a premature stimulation by their own cupidity, they would be entitled to little sympathy. But immediately on the disposition they have encountered arise primarily from the necessities of the Government incident to extraordinary war expenditures—since the banks have original themselves by periodic endeavors to strengthen the public credit—they are at least entitled to fair consideration, and to be exempted from such severe legislation as would tend to cripple them by new exactions.

How soon the banks will be in a condition to resume the payment of their obligations in specie, it is impossible to determine. Certainly not until the "legal tender" notes shall be withdrawn from circulation, and the Government return to the redemption of its issues in coin. Under the present auspices of the Treasury Department, with a prospective engraving and printing establishment in operation in the city, a paper depository in the basement, and an officer intermediate who deals out handsome promises to pay at the rate of a million and a half dollars per day, a resumption ceremony would be premature on the constitutional prerogative to "coin money and regulate the value thereof, and of foreign coin." Let us hope that the present unnatural rebellion, being subdued, peace will once more visit our distracted country, and that with its dawn we shall again return to the law of the true measure of value, both in corporate and governmental payments.

THE BANK-NOTE CIRCULATION.

One of the prominent points contributing to the present disparity in value between bank notes and specie, is held to be the redundancy of bank note circulation. That paper money issued by the Government and the banks is plentiful, whilst the precious metals are scarce, is sufficiently obvious; but that there is an absolute redundancy of paper issues, as compared with the business of the country, admits of serious doubt. Conceding for the moment the redundancy of paper circulation, to what causes is it attributable? The Secretary of the Treasury, in his recent report to Congress, states the increase of corporate notes during the year ending Nov. 1, 1862, at $27,000,000. The circulation of United States Notes on Nov. 1, 1861, was, in round numbers, $15,000,000, while on Nov. 1, 1862, it was $210,000,000; showing an increase within the year of $195,000,000. Yet the Secretary expresses a decided opinion that if there be an actual excess of circulation, it is not due to the issues of United States notes, but rather to the increase of deposits in the banks; such increase during the year being stated at $80,000,000. If then we add the whole increase of deposits to the increased circulation of the banks, we have a total of $117,000,000 by the banks, against $195,000,000 by the Secretary; and yet the Government notes are said to be innocent of having caused any excess or depreciation in the paper circulation of the country! What are the peculiar characteristics pertaining to the Government notes which distinguish them in their effects from Bank issues, when they have entered into the general circulation, the Secretary has not been pleased to elucidate; nor why, since the Government notes are equally incovertible into specie, the depreciation of the currency should alone result from corporate action, is a question still to be solved to the minds of the uninitiated. The inquiry also arises quite naturally, how much did the addition of $100,000,000 to the currency by the Government become a component of the $50,000,000 increase in bank deposits? If, as may rationally be inferred, it formed an essential constituent, then the further inquiry may be instituted, whether the deposits increased from this source are equally innocuous of having added to the increase of bank circulation, which the Secretary states "always accompanies an augmentation of deposits?"

It is a source of satisfaction that in this State, through the agency of a registered currency, and by means of the quarterly reports of the banks, we have the means of tracing causes and results with more accuracy than in many of our sister States. It is interesting to compare the condition of our bank note circulation in 1857, when there was a temporary suspension of specie payments, (and when the penalties were in full force,) with the operations of the past year. In June, 1857, the actual circulation of all the banks and bankers in the State was $22,326,282. On Sept. 30, being seventeen days before the suspension, it had fallen to $27,122,904, being a reduction in one quarter, of $6,273,904. During the three months succeeding, there was a further reduction of $3,223,949. At this period there had been a resumption of specie payments by all the leading banks, yet the reduction of circulation continued, so that in March, 1858, it had diminished to $22,710,158, being a diminution in the volume of actual currency during nine months, of $6,088,724. From this period up to 1861, the Banking capital and circulation gradually increased, so that in June, 1861, the actual circulation had risen to $23,817,151; in September, to $26,015,745; and in December, (the period of suspension of specie payments,) to $29,353,626. During the quarter succeeding the suspension, there was a reduction in the actual circulation of the Banks amounting to $2,223,047; the aggregate being, on March 19, 1862, $26,330,979.

It was at this time that a new element was thrown into the financial crucible. On the 26th of March there was received at the Department certain notes issued by the United States, bearing on one side the impress of a highly intellectual countenance, on the other the authoritative declaration: "This note is a legal tender for all debts, public and private, *except duties on imports and interest on the public debt.*" The reception of these notes released from embargo in this Department nearly $30,000 of the notes of banks, under protest for non-redemption in specie. Is it strange that, thus released from all sumptuary laws, and with an increasing demand for currency, the banks should have availed themselves of the immunity afforded? Hence we find that from March 15, 1862, (the time at which the legal tender notes were issued,) to Sept. 27, 1862, a period of six months, the actual circulation of the Banks was increased $6,326,666. Yet the Secretary of the Treasury assures Congress that the issue of United States notes has had no agency in producing a redundancy or depreciation of the currency!

In thus speaking, I am only alluding to the effects resulting from the issue of the "legal tender" notes, without attempting to question the wisdom of the measure. Without the relief thus afforded, many of the banks in this State must have succumbed to the financial pressure which would have ensued from the entire withdrawal of their circulation. It is also difficult to appreciate in what manner the means could have been obtained for moving the vast agricultural productions of the teeming West, and carrying on the active business operations which have marked the past season. It is not my purpose to decry the issue of currency either by the United States or well conducted banks here and elsewhere. On the contrary, I am firmly of the conviction that, in this State, there has been no issue of bank circulation exceeding the requirements of active business. This is shown by the redemption of New-England notes in New-York. All New-England redeems its bank notes at the Suffolk Bank and the Bank of Mutual Redemption, in Boston, precisely the same as those notes were redeemed when the banks were paying specie. Most of the banks of this State redeem their circulating notes at the Metropolitan Bank, in New-York, just as they did before the suspension. These facts speak volumes in favor of a system of daily redemption of bank notes, without the use of specie. If bank note currency were redundant, there would be a larger amount redeemed daily than there was when the whole volume of circulation was less. The fact is, however, that the daily redemptions of New-England bank bills, and those of the banks of this State, have been less, as I am assured by competent authority, throughout the past season, than when the circulation of New-England and New-York was, at least, one-third below its present amount. So, also, the records of this Department show the following results:

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| Five banks, circulation returned to this Department on July 1, 1861, to Jan. 1, 1862 | $3,356,920 00 |
| Incorporated banks, same time | 862,128 00—$4,227,058 00 |
| Five banks, circulation returned from June 15, 1862, to Dec. 15, 1862 | $1,922,011 00 |
| Incorporated banks, same time | 425,937 00—2,347,948 00 |
| 1861 over 1862 | $1,880,010 00 |

It will thus be seen that the returned circulation for six months in 1861, was nearly two millions in excess of that for a like period in 1862, although the aggregate circulation of the latter was many millions in excess of what it was in 1861. No other data can be found whereby to measure the state of the currency, can be found than the returns made to this Department; and these indicate most clearly that as yet no redundancy of the currency exists. Indeed, the capability of this Department to meet the demand for notes, was never more severely tested than it has been during the last nine months. Nor was it the result of a factitious demand. The banks found themselves embarrassed in the transaction of their business by the want of currency to meet the daily requisitions. Every soiled and mutilated note, capable of service, was brought into use, and the banks of the East were literally besieged for currency wherewith to move the crops of the West. Engagements were made weeks in advance by those wanting currency, in order to secure a supply; and numerous facts might be adduced to prove that, with all the issues of the Government and the banks, the volume of currency was not in excess of the wants of the country. Adequate grounds for this unusual demand may be found in the withdrawal of all the specie from circulation; in the abolition of the entire bank-note circulation of the States of the Western Union, consequent upon the failure of local institutions; in the vast sums required for the payment of bounties and wages to volunteers; in the immense purchases of agricultural products by the Government; in the enhanced prices of those products, calling for vast sums both in payment and for their transportation, and by the fact that nearly the entire business of the community has, during the past year, been transacted upon a cash basis.

CONGRESSIONAL LEGISLATION IN REFERENCE TO BANKS.

The Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, in his recent report, urges upon Congress the necessity of bringing the national banks into the several States, with certain regulations, immunities and privileges. The desirable objects to be secured are two-fold—a market for United States stocks, and the creation of a uniform national currency. The subject was discussed at some length in the last annual report from this Department, and I beg leave to invite your attention to the views therein presented.

The question is one to which the State of New-York has a paramount interest, and it demands the serious consideration of her immediate representatives in the Legislature. After many years of corrective legislation, guided by an enlightened experience, she has perfected a system of banking which, with great freedom as to principle, secures her citizens against loss from fraud, capidity and recklessness in the matter of furnishing a circulating medium, and transacting the other important functions pertaining to the business of banking. Her inherent right to prescribe the terms upon which these functions shall be exercised by her citizens is now proposed to take away, and to transfer to Congress and the National Capital the control which the Legislature has, since the foundation of the Government, exercised over the institutions of its creation. With a wise forecast for the interests of the State, the Legislature has provided that the stocks of New-York shall be received as a security for the prompt redemption of the circulating notes issued by banks and bankers. And with great liberality has permitted the stocks of the United States to be deposited for the same purpose to an equal extent with her own. Under this provision over $19,000,000 of New-York stocks, and over $12,000,000 of those of the United States, are now on deposit in this Department. If the amount is not equal, the cause is to be found only in the pressure given by those depositing to the securities of New-York as an investment. It is now seriously proposed to deprive our citizens engaged in the business of banking of this privilege, and by compulsory measures in the way of taxation, to force them to receive the securities of the United States, to the total disclosure of the stocks of our State. It is not urged—it cannot be urged—that this innovation is required to make our currency more secure than it is under the present system. Not one of the other States have found it expedient to adopt a national circulation, and it is true there is a strong desire, growing out of the present exigencies of the country, to find a market for United States stocks. If it is proposed to set aside the wise provisions of our State laws, and compel the banks to receive their notes in the hands of the General Government, secured by a deposit, at Washington, of National stocks alone. Nor is this all. It is also proposed to create by Congressional legislation, and plant within this State, independent of control by its Legislature, as many banking institutions as shall find it expedient to organize under the privileges extended to them by the National authority.

The changes thus proposed strike wide and deep. The power of taxation, if carried to a prohibitory extent, will force the banks of this and other States to withdraw their present circulation. The commanding credit of New-York, garnered up through long years by the unvaltering payment of her obligations, under any sacrifice required, has placed her stocks at such premium in the market, that they must ever remain the most desirable security that can be employed as a basis for bank circulation. Under the requirements of law they have been purchased at prices so high as to afford to the holders a very moderate interest. The profits upon the circulation received is consequently small; and a tax upon that circulation, in addition to that already imposed upon the business of banks, could not fail to prove onerous, and must have the desired effect to cause its withdrawal. This cannot be done, in the existing condition of affairs, without serious detriment to the pecuniary interests of the community. The task injustice of oppressive legislation, from such a quarter, becomes more apparent when the fact is considered that there is scarcely an institution of any magnitude in the State which is not already loaded down with the securities of the General Government, to the shape of stocks, Treasury notes and indebtedness. Should the proposed tax force into instance a single bank in a neighboring village, which, with a capital of $120,000, and a circulation of $100,000, (chiefly obtained for the payment of bounties to United States volunteers,) now holds $330,000 in securities of the General Government. Facts of this character are patent all over the State; yet these are the institutions which are to be subjected to harrassing provisions and numberless inconveniences, in order to compel them to transfer their allegiance from the State by to which they were created, to the legislative and democratic authorities at Washington.

It is not my purpose or province to canvass the details of the proposed system of Government Banking, nor to dwell upon the credulities through which it is sought to secure the acquiescence of Congress. The idea that a bank note can be made equal to gold and silver, all over the country, regardless of distance from the place of its redemption; that a bank becomes a safe depository for the public funds, merely because its circulating notes are secured by a deposit of Government stocks; that every dollar invested in United States securities, would represent real capital; and that a system of the character proposed could be brought into requisition so as to relieve the present exigencies of the Government, are positions which I have no inclination to discuss. A far more important consideration is found in the utter lack of *constitutional power on the part of Congress to create corporations within the States, without the assent of the State Legislatures.* A more practical question for the Legislature of New-York may be, how far it will suffer the abnegation of the stocks of New-York as a basis for banking; and to what extent it will allow the institutions of its creation to adjure their allegiance to State authority, and accept that of the Federal Congress.

And a consideration of no small magnitude for the guidance of our Representatives in the National Legislature may be found in the answer to the inquiries—whether the present is a favorable time for unsettling the monetary affairs of the States—for forcing upon the public new and untried schemes, which manifestly affect the pecuniary interests of the Government—whether the banks of *this State have not entitled themselves* to some consideration by their efforts to sustain the public credit at the hazard of their own existence—and, above all, whether it is desirable at this juncture to invite a conflict of authority between loyal States and the General Government, through the assumption of doubtful Constitutional powers?

Whatever may be the action of Congress in the premises, I have full faith that the Legislature of New-York will protect her institutions, and preserve a consistent consistency, with dignity and firmness. Under the existing laws no association or person can issue, within this State, notes to circulate as money, without depositing the required securities in this Department. Without legislative instruction to the contrary, it will be my duty, during my continuance in office, to enforce this provision against all associations or individuals claiming authority from any other source. If occasion require, I shall not hesitate to bring the question to the judicial tribunals, that we may learn authoritatively what powers over local institutions are still left to the States.

Respectfully submitted,
H. H. VAN DYCK, Superintendent.

# LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

**Loves of the Lilliputians.**

Gen. Tom Thumb, like Gen. McClellan, is at present *off duty.* His name is on the retired list, and he has his time at his command. Not having a new house to look after, or Courts-martial to attend, Thumb has been idling, like many other young men of fortune, about the theatres and museums of the Metropolis.

At the latter place he saw the Queen of Beauty little Lavinia Warren, who is the littlest woman of her age, and the prettiest of her size, in the world.

Simultaneously they were smitten. Cupid discharged an arrow from his bow which pierced their hitherto untouched hearts, and made them very ill.

The little General is beside himself when not beside Lavinia, and seems out of his senses, when out of her presence.

After a few days billing and a few days cooing, he has won her, and they have resolved to trot through life together.

Papa's consent, however, must be obtained, and to gain this, the General has written the following letter:

Bridgeport, Conn., Jan. 6, 1863.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren: Ever since I first met your daughter, Lavinia, I have felt that kind Heaven designed her for my partner for life. I loved her the first moment I saw her, and I love her more and more every day. Indeed, I feel unhappy if she is out of my sight. I am delighted to think that she also loves me. I have offered to bestow my hand in marriage and she very properly referers me to you for your consent. I assure you that if she becomes my wife, I shall always do all in my power to make her happy. I have sent Mr. Wells with this letter to obtain your consent to our marriage, and Lavinia and I both feel that we shall be very happy if Mr. Wells is permitted to bring back your approval of our desires.

Respectfully yours,
CHARLES S. STRATTON.

In the meantime the little folks are as happy as mortals can well be, ticked as Punch, and jolly in anticipation of years of wedded bliss. Poor little Nutz feels the loss of the young lady keenly, for though he is much younger than she, he had fondly hoped by devotion to overcome that objection.

Interested as we have long been in Gen. Tom Thumb's career, we congratulate him upon this auspicious alliance and trust that the connection will eventuate as genuine a success as the many more material speculations in which he has been so fortunate.

**Irving Hall—The First Masked Ball of the Season.**

Masked balls in New-York are not quite as common as in Venice and Paris—perhaps for the reason that Yankee inquisitiveness always insists on knowing who its neighbor is, and does not like to be baffled by disguises. But the success which attended Mr. Hazzard's entertainment at Irving Hall on Thursday evening, was so eminently marked and decided, that we fancy for the future Masked Balls will be the rule rather than the exception. The Hall was well filled, but not uncomfortably crowded, and the dresses, though not nearly gorgeous and expensive, were in the main well chosen, and quite in keeping with the social currency period. A Spaniard, in cotton-velvet, with a rusting tin sword at his side and a paste buckle in his hat, looks as well by gaslight as one would robed in Genoese velvet, with a regular Damascus blade to trip him up. The costumes on Thursday evening were so many and so varied that we shall attempt to write out no catalogue of them, and where so many beauties sparkled, in constellations on the floor, to particularize any individual star would be highly invidious. Shepherdesses, knights and squires, with stockings and ribbons, and shepherds, with crooks and books; queens, in robes of State, and dukes and grand-duchess, viscounts and marquises, in the most flowing of mantles and the baggiest of trousers; clowns and harlequins, Chinamen, fishwomen, Yankee girls, Paul Prys and Jonathans were as plenty as berries and bugs in June. Bipeds with quadrupeds were to be seen permambulating the room, and it was a matter of general remark how well the heads fitted the wearers' shoulders, and how naturally they played the part. But the most perfect disguise the writer of this witnessed was that of an individual who went dressed and smelling like a gentleman—so perfect was the disguise that none knew him. The mask provided by the enterprising Mr. Hazzard was spoiled, and as the mask, so was the support. The vigilance of the proprietor and his eagle-eyed assistants, and the stringent rules and regulations made and provided, excluded all of questionable position and standing in the world, so that these proved were enabled to stand up in immaculate uncrossch, the very pillars of society. No quarreling occurred, as to who should pay bills or dance with the Queen regnant of the room, nor any other disturbance whatever. In short, in and a new and original phrase, the whole affair went off with credit to all concerned, and proved an eminent success throughout; and we are confident that in hoping that this will prove merely the first of a biennial series of entertainments and [illegible] Hazzard will follow up his success [illegible] balls, we merely echo and express the wish of all who were present at Irving Hall on Thursday night.

**Navy Affairs.**

ARRIVAL OF THE IRON-CLAD BATTERY NAHANT.

The United States iron-clad battery *Nahant*, arrived at this port very early yesterday morning, from Boston via Newport, where she put in on account of the fog. The steamtug *Ann L. Lyman* was sent from this City to escort her, and towed her over to the Navy-yard. She was hauled alongside the wharf to await sailing orders. The *Nahant* is in commission, and flies the Commodore's pennant of Capt. Downes, of the Navy. On leaving Boston, steam was applied to her engines at various pressures, from twenty-five pounds upward, and a speed of between seven and eight miles an hour was got out of her easily. Her officers think she can make time without trouble. She passed Cape Cod at 6 o'clock on Sunday morning, and was proceeding on her voyage most successfully, when a dense fog fell upon the sea, rendering it extremely difficult to navigate so peculiar a vessel with safety. After deliberation, the officers concluded it would be best to put into Newport, which they did. She left Newport at 9 o'clock on Thursday morning, and reached her destination, coming through the Sound in a most satisfactory manner. The weather and the sea were pleasant.

Having recently given an expressed description of this vessel, and a full account of her trial trip, nothing now can be said about her. She is "Monitor No. 6," and is exactly like the other nine; was built by Lyman, of the Atlantic Works, Boston. Her officers are:

*Commander*—Jean Downes.
*Acting Master*—Wm. Carter.
*Acting Ensigns*—Charles C. Rutter and Charles N. Clark.
*Assistant Surgeon*—Charles E. Stedman.
*Assistant Paymaster*—Edward Putnam.
*Second Assistant Engineers*—T. H. Bordley and Abram Michener.

THE COMMANDER OF THE MONITOR IN NEW-YORK.

Capt. Bankhead, of the *Monitor*, arrived in this City yesterday, and proceeded to the Brooklyn Navy-yard, where he reported to Admiral Paulding for command of the United Steamer *Florida*. His account of the loss of the famous iron-clad does not differ from the official report made to the Navy Department. The *Florida*, to the command of which he has been ordered, is a wooden steamer, purchased since the outbreak of the rebellion. She cannot be ready for sea for some time. The visit of Capt. Bankhead to the Yard caused a considerable stir among the citizens, who crowded about the Lyceum to "have a look at him" as he passed.

RUMORED REMOVAL OF COMMODORE WILKES.

It was yesterday currently rumored in naval circles in this City that Commodore Wilkes had been removed from command of the Flying Squadron, for having failed to obey orders relative to intercepting the *Alabama*.

Although talked about in well-informed quarters, no definite authority was given for the statement.

**Movements of Gen. Butler.**

Major-Gen. Butler remained at the Fifth-avenue hotel all day yesterday, and will leave the City by the first train this morning for his home in Lowell. He was called upon at his hotel yesterday by a large number of our most prominent citizens, who expressed their approval of his thoroughly loyal and energetic administration of affairs at New-Orleans, *and congratulated him upon the entire success of his* policy. One old gentleman, on being introduced to the General, said, he wished to shake the hand of the man who had acquired the deadly enmity of all the enemies of his country. A man who could inspire such hatred and abuse from the rebels and their sympathizers in Europe, was, in his opinion, just the man for the people, and ought to be made their next President. The ladies who paid their respects to the General were even more numerous than the gentlemen, and were equally enthusiastic in their praise of the "rebel tamer." Gen. Butler has been so busy in receiving and entertaining his fellow-citizens, who called upon him, that he has had no time to reply to the address of the Committee who waited upon him on Thursday, but will take the earliest opportunity to do so after reaching home.

**Court of General Sessions.**

Before Judge McCunn.

In this Court, yesterday, the case of Laura Mortimer, indicted for shoplifting from the store of Wm. J. Lewis, in Broadway, was commenced and occupied the entire day. The defendant is a very attractive woman, and was attended in Court by a beautiful daughter of the age of 3 or 4 years.

After taking the testimony of the complainant, the prisoner's counsel, Messrs. Howe and Spencer, moved to quash the indictment on the ground of variance between the allegations and the proof, the ownership of the stolen property having been laid in Lewis, whereas he swore that he was not the owner. It was finally agreed to let the case go to the jury, and after examining several witnesses the trial was put over to Monday next, to which time the Court adjourned.

**International Relief Committee.**

The Treasurer of the International Relief Committee acknowledges having received the following subscriptions this day, Jan. 9:

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| Charles B. Collins | $100 |
| R. & W. Martin, Providence | 100 |
| Benj. H. Field, second subscription | 500 |
| Total | $700 |
| Before reported | 108,334 07 |
| Grand total | $109,034 07 |

A. A. LOW, Treasurer, No. 31 Burling-slip.

# GENERAL CITY NEWS.

An Act of Heroism Performed by a Blind Boy.—On Thursday afternoon three blind boys, belonging to the Almshouse on Blackwell's Island, went out to skate upon a pond in the vicinity. They had not been long enjoying the sport before the ice gave way, and one of the lads, named Jean Osnoa, was precipitated into the water. His companions heard the crash and plunge of the victim, and both ran to his assistance. In their efforts to get out their friend, one of them, named Joseph Haas, also fell into the water. At this stage of the affair the bravery and heroism of the remaining boy was exhibited. He seized hold of Haas just as he was sinking, and by great exertions succeeded in getting

# LAW REPORTS.

## DECISION IN ADMIRALTY.

United States District Court.
Before Judge Betts, Presiding.

LOSS OF CARGO SHIPPED ON DECK—USAGE OF TRADE.

*John H. Chubb et al. vs. About 7,806 bushels of Oats.*—This was a libel filed to recover freight on those oats, which were carried on the libelant's boat *Mary Ann* from St. Antoine, Canada East, to New-York, and demurrage for the detention of the boat in New-York. The evidence showed that a larger quantity of oats were shipped on board, a portion of them being shipped in bins on deck. While the boat was passing through Lake Champlain in tow of a steamer, the usual mode of going through the lake, a gale arose, and as the boat turned Cumberland Head, to go into Plattsburgh, to avoid the violence of the gale, the boats were dashed against each other, and one of the bins gave way and a portion of the oats were lost overboard. The bill of lading was a clean bill of lading, with the usual exception from perils of the seas. The claimant sought to set off against the libelous demand the value of the oats so lost overboard. The libelant proposed to meet this by proving that it was the usage of that particular trade to carry oats thus, in bins on deck. To this evidence the claimants objected, as being contrary to the terms of the bill of lading.

*Held by the Court*—That it is well settled that the general usage and custom in the transportation of goods by water, assents to such a contract the conditions, as the general rule, that they shall be carried under deck. If they are carried on deck it is deemed a violation of the contract, and the loss occasioned thereby, although immediately produced by the peril of the sea, falls upon the carrier. (The Waldo, Taney's Rep. 164. The Persian, 2 Curtis, C. C. R. 31. The Paragon, Ware, 322.)

That the carrier can, of course, exempt himself from this liability by obtaining the express consent of the shipper. None such has been proved in this case.

That the obligation of the master to stow the cargo under deck, does not rest upon any express provision in the bill of lading; nor is it founded upon any legal construction of the terms of the instrument. It is an implication of law, drawn from a well-known and general commercial usage or custom.

That a rule of law which is established by custom may be restrained or repealed by custom. (The Paragon.)

That evidence of usage or custom is never deemed within the rule forbidding the varying of written agreement by parol evidence. (9 Wheat, 361; 1 Smith's Lead. Cas., 5 Am. Ed. 625; 1 Greenl. Ev., § 292.)

That proof of usage or custom, with reference to which parties are presumed to have entered into their contracts, is clearly admissible upon all matters which are not expressed in terms—and especially where the law attaches conditions to a contract founded not on the terms of the agreement, but on general custom, proof of a different custom of a particular trade may be given, to show that the general custom does not apply to that trade. Such proof merely shows that, so far as that particular trade is concerned, the general custom does not exist, and therefore no presumption of law can be founded upon it.

That the evidence establishes the existence of the usage or custom claimed by the libelants. The route over which this trade passes, after leaving the St. Lawrence River, is by the Chambly River and the Chambly Canal to Lake Champlain, through that to Whitehall, through the Champlain Canal to the Hudson River, and thence to Albany and New-York. Owing to the shallow water of the canals, it is always necessary where a full load is taken, to lighten the boats in passing through them—this is done by removing the deck load, which is put in bins for that purpose, and replacing it when the deeper water is reached.

That the claimant has long been engaged in shipping grain over this route, and is chargeable with knowledge of this uniform usage.

That this usage being shown, it follows that the general custom of the maritime world, by which common bills of lading are understood to import that the goods are to be carried under deck, has no application to this particular trade, and such bills of lading therein are relieved from its operation.

That the loss must be attributed to the perils of navigation, and is therefore within the exception of the bill of lading.

That the burden of proof on this point, as well as in reference to the custom claimed, is on the libelants.

That the libelants are, therefore, entitled to freight on the oats delivered.

That on the proofs they are also entitled to recover demurrage for fourteen days at $20 a day.

Decree for libelants for $624 freight, and $280 demurrage.

For libelants, Mr. Van Santvoord; for claimant, Messrs. Platt, Gerard and Buckler.

### Marine Insurance—Construction of a Fire Policy (valued) on Freight.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.
Before Justice Hoyt.

*Franklin H. Delano* vs. *The American Insurance Company of Boston.*—Plaintiff brings his action on a policy of insurance made by defendant Oct. 25, 1859, insuring $6,000 upon the freight of the ship *Magistaff*, at and from San Francisco, for one year from Sept. 9, lost or not lost, freight valued at $30,000. Plaintiff attempted to prove that when the policy was applied for, he represented to the Company that the ship had sailed from San Francisco to Hong Kong, having on board a small cargo and a considerable number of passengers. It was admitted that she sailed on that voyage in September, and when four or five days out took fire and was totally destroyed with her cargo. It was also in evidence that her whole freight list did not exceed $1,000—that the cargo carried did not occupy more than two-thirds of the lower hold, but that she had on board 180 passengers, and that the whole vessel between decks, being one-half of the complete carrying capacity of the ship, commonly used for the carrying of freight, was appropriated to the carriage of the passengers. The Captain laid on his ship at San Francisco for both freight and passengers, and having got all he could of both, not mail. The premium paid by the plaintiff was 7½ per cent on the sum insured, and it was conceded that the ordinary freight premium for the voyage could not have exceeded 3 per cent. The counsel for the defendants contended that, by the true construction of the policy, it was equivalent to a distinct insurance upon the freight of the ship for each successive trip that she should make during the year, at the rate of $20,000. That an insurance upon freight does not cover passage money. That the subject insured for each voyage was the complete carrying capacity of the ship for the purpose of earning freight; that in this case, inasmuch as it appeared that the insured had intentionally devoted one-half of the ship, usually employed for earning freight, to the carriage of passengers—a use foreign to the policy, and not contemplated or covered by it—and had only employed one-third of her ship in the legitimate business of earning freight, they would be fully indemnified by recovering from the insurers that proportion of the valuation which the portion of the vessel used for earning freight bore to the whole carrying capacity of the ship, and that they could not, in any event, recover from the insurers that proportion of the valuation which the portion of the vessel actually and successfully used for the carriage of passengers bore to her whole carrying capacity. That the whole subject insured was not at risk, and that not been lost by the perils of the seas; that as to one-half of the ship at least, the owners had been prevented from earning freight, not by the occurrence of any such perils, but by their own act, in devoting so much of the vessel to a purpose inconsistent with the earning of freight and not covered by the insurance. But the Court held, and instructed the jury that the plaintiff was entitled to recover the full sum insured, and that the valuation which the defendants themselves had put upon the freight was conclusive, so that the actual value of the freight at risk could not be inquired into; and a verdict was found accordingly.

De Forest for the plaintiff; Messrs. Evarts & Choate for defendants.

### Charges of Fraud Against "Nevada Water Company"—$100,000 Damages Claimed.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.
Before Justice Barbour.

*Gardner* vs. *Pollard, Eddy et al.*—This case came before the Court on demurrer to plaintiff's complaint. The plaintiff alleges that he was a stockholder in the "Nevada Water Company," of which defendants were the trustees, to the amount of $60,000. The complained charges defendants with "fraudulently conspiring" to misappropriate the funds of the Company, and to depreciate the value of the plaintiff's stock, and to deprive him of dividends. The case on the demurrer was argued at length, and the Judge reserved his decision.

Edwin James and Gardner & Loberis for plaintiff; Burrell & Benedict for defendants.

### Wordless.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.

*Henry H. Muller* vs. *William Boyce.*—This was an action to recover the possession of certain goods consisting of the contents of a soda water manufacturing and bottling establishment, which the chattel's alleged the defendant had wrongfully carried away.

The case was stated in the TIMES of the 7th, and now resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff, assessing the damages at the sum of $40.

### Decisions.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.
Before Justice Barnard.

*In the Matter of the Petition of Chas. W. Gray and Others* vs. *Infants, &c., to Sell Real Estate.*—Motions granted.

*Shipmaster* vs. *Pooley.*—Motion denied with $10 costs, to abide the event of the action.

*In the Matter of Hugh O'Connor*, vs. *Orson A. Nouseen, Attorney-at-Law.*—Reference ordered to Wesley S. Yard, Esq., to examine Margaret O'Connor and ascertain and report the circumstances under which her written affidavit, on the 24th December, was made, &c.; also, A rule to show cause why he, receiving and paying over the money, &c.

*Sherman* vs. *Pooley.*—Motion denied, with $10 costs, to abide the event of the suit.

*Jewett* vs. *Tuppen.*—Motion denied, with $10 costs, to abide event of action.

*Colgate* vs. *Bridge and Others.*—Motion granted.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.
Before Justice Barbour.

*Leverhight* vs. *Belmont, &c.*—Extra allowance of $150 to defendants.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM.
Before Judge Hilton.

*Fleischman* vs. *Kiernan, &c.*—Judgment for plaintiff. Findings of fact to be settled on notice.

## PERSONAL.

—Mr. Sion E. Howard, of Burlington, Vt., has complete files of New-York papers, running back from the present time to the year 1822, the date of his commencing business. His files include the New-York *Spectator*, *Commercial Advertiser* and *Express*, successively. He has also files of the Burlington *Free Press* and *Sentinel* back to the same date, and of the Burlington *Times* from the date of its first publication, 1851. The gross bulk of the newspapers thus saved amounts now to about *two cords*.

—Mr. J. G. C. LEE, of Cincinnati, late Chief Clerk of the Quartermaster's Department of the Eleventh Army Corps, (Maj.-Gen. SIGEL,) has been appointed Assistant-Quartermaster, with the rank of Captain. A more deserving preferment has not been tendered during the rebellion. Capt. LEE's appointment was earnestly recommended by Maj.-Gens. ROSECRANS, SIGEL, Cox and a large number of prominent military men and civilians, who had practically become cognizant of his marked ability and sterling integrity.

—Mrs. Lawton, of Savannah, Ga., wife of an Assistant Adjutant-General on Lee's Staff, who was wounded and taken prisoner in one of the battles in Virginia, visited her husband, who is now in hospital in Alexandria. In the course of conversation, she did not hesitate to express herself in the strongest manner regarding the suffering which the rebel army endures in consequence of the strict blockade of the Southern ports.

—Capt. Jeffers, who commanded the *Monitor*, after Capt Worden was injured, is said to have warned the War Department weeks ago against sending that iron-clad to sea, as he was sure that she would founder, if overtaken by a storm.

—The Syracuse *Courier* states that a well-known liquor merchant of that city has absconded, leaving behind him forged paper to the extent of several thousand dollars.

—Gen. Curtis received a New-Year's call at his headquarters in St. Louis, from the Tenth Missouri Cavalry, and acknowledged the compliment in a brief speech.

—Hon. Portus Baxter, of Vermont, is recovering from his illness, and his friends expect him soon to be able to resume his seat in Congress.

—Col. Tyler, of the First Connecticut Artillery, is at Hartford, on a visit to his friends.

—Gen. McClellan is expected to visit his friends in Hartford, Conn., next week.

—Hon. Jesse D. Bright has been spending some days at Indianapolis.

—Mrs. S. A. Douglass is visiting her friends in Carrollton, Ill.

# MONETARY AFFAIRS.

**Sales at the Stock Exchange....Jan. 9, 1863.**

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| $15,000 U. S. 6s '81, Reg. | 98 | 100 Pac. Mail S. Co. | 148 |
| 14,000 U. S. 6s '81, Coup. | 98 | 50 do | 139 148 |
| 15,000 do | 98¼ | 200 do | 147 |
| 1,000 U. S. 6s, 5-20s, Coup. | 97 | 100 do | 148 147 |
| 11,000 U. S. 6s '64, Coup. | 99 | 50 do | 147 |
| 10,000 U. S. Tr. 3-10 p. c. | 100 | 50 do | 147 |
| C. Notes | 103 | 150 do | 149¼ |
| 5,000 U. S. 6s, 1 yr. C. | 97 | 1700 N. Y. Cen. R. | 116 |
| 30,000 do | 97¼ | 200 do | 150 116¼ |
| 2,000 do | 97¼ | 15 do | 116 |
| 40,000 U. S. 5-20's | 103¼ | 25 do | 116¼ |
| 6,000 Ohio St. 6s, '86 | 113 | 1450 do | 115 |
| 24,000 Ill. Can B, '60 | 99 | 100 do | 115¼ |
| 10,000 Ill. War Loan | 103 | 2100 Erie Railway | 71 |
| 20,000 Tenn. St. 6s, '90 | 64 | 2000 do | 71¼ |
| 5,000 do | 63 64 | 50 do | 70 |
| 2,000 N. C. St. 6s | 75 | 300 do | 70 71¼ |
| 5,000 do | 75 | 200 do | 71¼ |
| 50,000 Mo. St. 6s | 67 | 800 Erie Railway Pref. | 101 |
| 45,000 do | 67¼ | 700 do | 100¼ |
| 5,000 do | 67¼ | 50 do | 100 |
| 10,000 do | 67¼ | 50 do | 100 100¼ |
| 30,000 do | 67¼ | 1000 do | 100¼ |
| 10,000 do | 67 | 150 Hudson Riv. R. | 90 |
| 2,000 H. & St. J. Bds | 84 | 2700 do | 89 |
| 3,000 Louisiana St. 6s | 70 | 400 do | 89 |
| 15,000 E. N. Y. & E. 1st M. | 101 | 100 do | 89 |
| 1,000 Hud. R. Con. B | 102¼ | 100 do | 89 |
| 2,000 Mich. Cen. 8s Cu. | | 200 do | 89 89¼ |
| 1st M. S. F. Bs | 121 | 2300 Harlem Railroad | 23 |
| 1,000 C., R. & Q. 8 p c B. | 120¼ | 200 do | 23¼ |
| 2,000 do | 120 | 100 Harlem R. Pref. | 61¼ |
| 2,500 Mich. S. 2d m. | 99 | 450 do | 61 |
| 4,000 do | 99¼ | 150 do | 61¼ |
| 20,000 do | 100 | 1500 Reading R. | 82 |
| 5,000 do | 100¼ | 600 do | 82¼ |
| 10,000 Mich. So. S. F. | 100¾ | 50 do | 80 |
| 200 Ill. Cen. R. Bds | 115 | 1100 do | 80 |
| 2,000 do | 114¾ | 100 Mich. Cen. R. | 80 81¼ |
| 2,000 A. & T. H. Sinn. Pref. | 37½ | 600 do | 80 |
| 12,000 do | 38 | 50 do | 80 |
| 10,000 Al. & T. H. In Bd. | 75¾ | 150 do | 80 |
| 5,000 do | 75¾ | 100 do | 80¼ |
| 1,000 C. & N. W. Is. S. F. | 99 | 500 M. S. & N. In. R. | 40 |
| 10,000 C. & N. W. Am. Sh. | 69 | 1000 do | 40¼ |
| 21,000 do | 69¼ | 50 do | 40¼ |
| 20,000 C. & N. W. 2d Mt | 43 | 400 do | 40¼ |
| 1,000 Lack. & W. Bs. | 112 | 900 do | 40 |
| 5,000 D. L. & W. 2d Mt. | 118 | 100 do | 40¼ |
| 5,000 Tol. & W. 1st M. | 70 | 100 M. S. & N. I. G. S. | 69¼ |
| 25,000 Tol. & W. 2d m. | 60 | 50 do | 69¼ |
| 1,000 Cl. & Tol. S. F. | 107 | 50 do | 93 |
| 1,000 P. F. W. & C. 2d | 90 | 200 do | 93¼ |
| 4,000 do | 97 | 100 do | 92¾ |
| 2,000 P. F. W. & C. 2d M. | 79 | 50 do | 93 |
| 10,000 do | 80 | 100 do | 92¾ |
| 5,000 do | 80 80¼ | 200 Ill. Cen. R. Scrip | 87 |
| 2,000 Cin. & Pitts. 6th M. | 80 | 100 do | 87¾ |
| 25,000 do | 79 | 400 do | 87¾ |
| 15 Bank of Commerce | 94 | 200 do | 87¾ |
| 10 Metropolitan Bank | 103 | 2500 Clevv. & Pitts. R. | 67 |
| 70 Merchants Bank | 120 | 900 do | 68¼ |
| 250,000 American Gold | 138 | 900 do | 68 |
| 30,000 do | 138¼ | 200 do | 67¾ |
| 10,000 do | 138¼ | 100 Gal. & Chicago R. | 67 |
| 20,000 do | 138¾ | 300 do | 66¾ |
| 20,000 do | 138 138¼ | 100 do | 66¾ |
| 25,000 do | b15 138¾ | 200 do | 66 |
| 25,000 do | b30 138¾ | 200 do | 66¼ |
| 50 Canton Company | 38 | 1000 Clev. & Toledo R. | 89 |
| 200 do | 21 | 2000 do | 84¾ |
| 200 do | 21¼ | 200 do | 84¾ |
| 100 do | 21¼ | 700 do | 84¾ |
| 50 do | 22 | 200 do | b30 84¾ |
| 500 do | 22¼ | 200 do | 84¾ |
| 5 Del. & Hud. Can. Co. | 123 | 400 Chic. & Rock I. R. | 87¾ |
| 97 Penn. Coal Co. | 124 | 600 do | 87 |
| 200 Nor. & Wor. R. | 78 | 200 do | 86¾ |
| 200 Cum. Coal Pref. | 24 | 200 do | 87¾ |
| 200 do | 24¼ | 100 do | b30 87¾ |
| 1500 do | 25 | 100 do | b30 87 |
| 200 do | b30 25¾ | 200 do | b30 87¾ |
| 100 do | b30 26 | 150 do | 86¾ |
| 700 do | 24¾ | 100 Ill. & Pitts. G. & R. | 69¾ |
| 200 do | 24¾ | 100 Ill. & Pitts. G. & R. | 69¾ |
| 80 Alt. & T. Haute R. | 34¾ | 100 Pitts., Ft. W. & C. R. | 64 |
| 100 do | 35 | 200 do | 63 |
| 80 do | 34¾ | 100 do | 63¼ |

SECOND BOARD.

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| $5,000 U. S. 6s '81, Cou. | 98¼ | 110 N. Y. Cen. R. R. | 115 |
| 5,000 do | 98 | 200 do | 115¼ |
| 10,000 U. S. 6s '78, Cou. | 90 | 100 do | 115 115¼ |
| 10,000 U. S. 6s '67, Reg. | 98 | 100 Erie Railway | 70 |
| 13,000 Treas. 7 3-10 p. c. | 99 | 200 do | 70¼ |
| Notes | 102 | 200 do | b10 70 |
| 18,400 U. S. 5s, 1 yr. C. | 97 | 100 do | b30 70 |
| 6,000 U. S. D. Mts. | 128¼ | 400 do | 69 69¾ |
| 26,000 do | 128¾ | 200 do | 69 |
| 1,100 do | 128¾ | 50 Erie R. Pref. | 99 |
| 12,000 Tenn. St. 6s '90 | 63¾ | 400 do | 99¾ |
| 45,000 Mo. St. 6s | 66¾ | 200 do | b30 99¾ |
| 40,000 do | 67¼ | 50 P. Ft. W. & Ch. R. | b30 93¾ |
| 10,000 do | 67¼ | 100 do | 93 |
| 20,000 do | 67¼ | 50 Tol., A. & W. R. | 22 |
| 10,000 do | 67¼ | 200 Hud. Riv. R. | 38¾ |
| 1,000 A. & T. H. 1st M. | 104 | 100 do | b30 38¾ |
| 20,000 Al. & T. H. 2d M. P. | 87¾ | 100 do | 38¾ |
| 5,000 do | 88 | 200 do | 38¾ |
| 18,000 Chi. & N. W. Is. Bd | 69 | 200 do | 38¾ |
| 10,000 do | 69¼ | 200 do | b10 38¾ |
| 1,000 Tol. & Wab. 1st M. | 100 | 100 Harlem Railroad | 21¼ |
| 10,000 A. & T. H. Inc. Bds. | 74 | 100 do | b30 21¼ |
| 4,000 do | 75¾ | 200 Harlem R. Pref. | 62 |
| 8,000 Mich. Cen. 8s Mg. | 100¾ | 200 do | 62¼ |
| 5,000 Mich. So. S. F. | 100 | 200 do | b10 62¼ |
| 86,000 Amer. Gold | 137¾ | 200 do | 62 62¼ |
| 5,000 do | 137¾ | 400 Reading R. | 80 |
| 9,000 do | 137¾ | 100 do | 80¼ |
| 40,000 do | 138 137¾ | 200 Michigan Cen. R. | 80¾ |
| 60,000 do | 138 | 100 M. S. & N. I. R. | b30 41¼ |
| 40,000 do | 138¾ | 100 do | 40 |
| 20,000 Chicago Bur. & Q. R. | 69 | 100 do | b10 40 |
| 200 Cumb. Coal Pref. | 22 | 200 M. S. & N. I. G. | 69 |
| 100 do | b30 22 | 100 do | b10 69 |
| 500 do | 21 | 200 do | 69 |
| 300 do | 20¾ | 100 do | 69¼ |
| 200 do | 20¾ | 200 do | 69 |
| 1000 Canton Company | 38 | 100 Ill. Cen. R. Scrip | 87 |
| 200 do | 38 | 100 Clev. & Pitts. R. | 68 |
| 50 Pacific M. S. Co. | 148 | 200 do | 68¼ |
| 100 do | 148¾ | 200 do | 68 |
| 50 do | b30 149 | 100 Gal. & Chic. R. | 66 |
| 50 do | b30 147¾ | 1000 Clev. & Tol. R. | 83 |
| 1000 do | b30 148 | 100 Chi. & R. I. R. | 86 |
| 100 Al. & T. Hte. Pref. | 37 | 100 do | 86¾ |

PUBLIC BOARD—1 P. M.

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| $5,000 Debt Certific. | 97¼ | 50 Erie R. Pref. | 99¾ |
| 40,000 Amer. Gold | 137¾ | 100 Harlem R. | 20¾ |
| 10,000 U. S. 6s, N. | 138¼ | 150 do | 21 |
| 3,000 do | 138¼ | 300 M. S. & N. I. G. | 69 |
| 20 Cumb. Coal | 24 | 100 Clev. & Pitt. R. | 68¼ |
| 50 Pacific M. S. Co. | 148¾ | 200 do | 68¼ |
| 100 do | 148¾ | 200 do | 68¼ |
| 50 N. Y. Cen. R. | 114 | 50 Galena | 65 |
| 50 Chic. & R. I. R. | 86 | 100 Pitts., Ft. W. & Chi. R. | 63 |
| 400 Erie Railway | 69¾ | | |

PUBLIC BOARD—4 P. M.

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| $18,000 C. & Canton Co. | 38 | 100 Alt. & T. H. Pref. | 37 |
| 45,000 Amer. Gold | 137¾ | 100 do | 36 |
| 20,000 do | 137¾ | 300 Reading R. | 80 |
| 10,000 U. S. 6s, N. | 138 | 100 do | 80 |
| 20,000 do | 138¼ | 50 Mich. Cen. R. | 80 |
| 5,000 do | 138¼ | 100 do | 80¾ |
| 10,000 do | 138¼ | 100 M. S. & N. I | 67 |
| 50 Pacific M. S. Co. | 147¾ | 200 do | 67¾ |
| 200 N. Y. Cen. R. | 114¾ | 250 M. S. & N. I. G. | 69 |
| 200 Erie Railway | 69 | 100 Ill. Cen. R. | 69 |

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| 100 do | 69 | 200 Clev. & Pitt. R. | 68 |
| 200 do | 69 | 200 do | 68¼ |
| 200 Erie R. Pref. | 99 | 100 Gal. & Chicago R. | 66 |
| 100 do | 99 | 100 do | 66¾ |
| 100 do | 99 | 100 do | 66¾ |
| 100 do | 99 | 100 Clev. & Toledo R. | 89 |
| 100 do | 99 | 100 do | 89 |
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The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, JAN. 10, 1863.

Amusements this Evening.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—IL PRIGIONE. (THE MARTYR.)

WINTER GARDEN—BARBOUL INSTEMAR—CONNECTICUT CONGRESS—PUBLIC D'OUNSALL—IRISH LION.

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE—JENNY LIND—THE INVISIBLES.

WALLACK'S—PLOTTER.

STUYVESANT INSTITUTE—(No. 659 Broadway) BUCKLEY'S SERENADERS.

GERMAN OPERA HOUSE—FIDELIO.

COOPER'S GALLERY—(No. 172 Broadway.) CHURCH'S NEW PICTURE, UNDER NIAGARA.

BIRD'S GARDEN—FAUST AND MARGUERITE.

BROADWAY MENAGERIE—COMPLETE SCHOOL OF NATURAL HISTORY.

BARNUM'S MUSEUM—MISS LAVINIA WARREN, the Queen of Beauty, Gen. NUTT, &c., at all hours—Colonel ABBE afternoon and evening.

BANVARD'S NEW HALL OF ART (No. 659 Broadway)—BANVARD'S PANORAMA OF THE MISSISSIPPI AND THE WAR.

BROOKLYN ARENA—CLASSIC AND MODERN GYMNASTICS.

THEATRE FRANCAIS—LA DAME AUX CAMELIAS, (Camille.)

REVENUE STAMPS FOR CHECKS, in sheets, for sale at THE TIMES Counting-Room.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

### THE REBELLION.

We are without any later news from Vicksburgh this morning, either Union or rebel. There is no doubt, however, of our final success there. We receive authoritative assurances from Washington that Gen. SHERMAN will be reinforced (if it is not already accomplished) by Gen. GRANT.

The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia *North American* writes: "At last advices six mortar-boats had joined the fleet of Gen. BANKS, at New-Orleans, and if a vigorous and determined onslaught can carry the enemy's positions, they will soon give way. I am inclined to believe, however, that, up to the period when our troops under SHERMAN fell back, the rebel works at Port Hudson, Point Coupée and St. Francisville had not then been assaulted by our forces. Gen. SHERMAN has probably commenced the fight prematurely, and this, most probably, is the main cause of the reverse we have sustained."

Our latest reports from Tennessee are to the effect that Murfreesboro is now entirely deserted, excepting, of course, by the wounded, and that Gen. ROSECRANS' headquarters had been advanced ten miles below that place. The rebel army was reported at Tullahoma.

The Louisville *Journal* is officially informed that the Army of the Cumberland is at present supplied with subsistence in sufficient quantity to meet its wants until the 25th inst., even should it be cut off immediately from its source of supply. The Cumberland River is now open to navigation, however, and there need be no fear indulged that our victorious army at Murfreesboro will suffer from a lack of subsistence.

Four complete batteries were shipped from Indianapolis on Jan. 6, to supply the place of those lost in action at Murfreesboro, and large supplies of arms and ammunition were forwarded on the same day from Columbus, Ohio.

Telegraphic communication between St. Louis and Springfield is interrupted, and we have no advices from the latter point later than the evening of Thursday. Fighting had been going on all day, and our troops were holding their positions, and expecting reinforcements. Gen. BROWN, in command of the National forces, had been wounded. Gen. MARMADUKE was in command of the rebels. The object of the attack is to capture a large amount of army stores, arms and ammunition.

An additional dispatch from Gen. HERRON, of the Army of the Frontier, to Maj.-Gen. CURTIS, among other things states that, after the occupation of Van Buren by our troops, Gen. HINDMAN ordered the town to be shelled, without giving the women and children of the place the slightest opportunity of departing in safety. The usual amenities of civilized warfare in such cases were wholly disregarded.

A New-York correspondent of the Boston *Journal* states that "a new expedition is on hand from this port. Secrecy and dispatch are now the watchwords. Boston and Maine steamboat men are here, and are as active and busy as bees before swarming time. Capt. LOPEZ, who is the quiet but efficient executive in all naval matters, who fitted out BURNSIDE's fleet, and moved McCLELLAN's army on the Potomac, has his hands full. But he says nothing."

The Washington *Republican* of Thursday says: "We are satisfied that Gen. HOOKER is not only *not* to relieve Gen. BURNSIDE in command of the Army of the Potomac, but that Gen. HOOKER is decidedly in favor of having Gen. BURNSIDE remain in the position he now occupies. Gen. HOOKER is perfectly satisfied with his present command, and thinks that frequent changes in the command of so large an army will prove injurious to the army and the cause of the Union."

A private letter from ROBERT RHODES, Executive Officer of the U. S. steamer *Clifton*, stationed off Galveston, states that about the 6th of December a messenger came down from Sabine Pass, saying that it was expected that four or five gunboats, and some artillery on the shore, would attack our two schooners, which were guarding the Pass. Capt. RENSHAW sent Capt. LAW to see what to do, and he ordered the vessels to be towed outside the bar. On the 8th ult. the rebels ordered the women and children to leave Galveston within two days, as they intended to attack our fleet. Up to the 11th no attack had been made. On the 12th Capt. RENSHAW sent to New-Orleans, by the bark *Island City*, a number of the Union people of Galveston, some of whom were in danger of starving if they remained. These people, it will be remembered, have arrived at New-Orleans.

The Memphis Grenade-Jackson *Appeal* is published at the moderate price of thirty dollars per annum. When at Grenada it was willing to accept no peace which did not embrace the unconditional recognition of the Confederate States; now it would put up with any which may be "honorable and honorable."

### CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday, Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, introduced a bill for the construction of a ship canal between the Mississippi River and Lake Michigan, and to enlarge the locks of certain canals in New-York, to allow the passage of gunboats. It was ordered to be printed. Notice was given of a bill to aid Western Virginia in emancipating her slaves. Mr. POWELL, of Kentucky, called up his resolution concerning GRANT's order expelling the Jews from his Department, when it transpired that the order has already been revoked, and the resolution was laid on the table. The bill for the punishment of persons convicted of crime in the District of Columbia was passed. A bill was introduced by Mr. COLLAMER, of Vermont, to regulate [illegible] cases. It relates to the so-called arbitrary arrests, and the cases arising out of them. It was referred to the Judiciary Committee. The bill for the relief of the Norwegian bark *Admiral P. Tordenskiold* was passed. The joint resolution for the prompt payment of our soldiers, sailors and marines, was reported back from the Finance Committee, with an amendment as a substitute. A bill to suspend the sale of land on the islands on the coast of South Carolina and Georgia, was referred to the Military Committee. The credentials of Mr. JAMES A. BAYARD, reelected Senator from Delaware, were presented. The bill providing for the raising of volunteers for the defence of Kentucky was debated at considerable length, but was not disposed of when the Senate went into Executive Session.

In the House, a majority and minority report on the bill to raise troops for the defence of Tennessee were presented from the Military Committee. A bill to establish a branch mint in Nevada was referred to the Committee of Ways and Means. A resolution to procure the removal of John PLANT, one of the Capitol Police, for inhuman treatment of a soldier, was passed. The Post-office Appropriation bill was reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, and made the special order for Wednesday next. Consideration of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Appropriation bill was then resumed in Committee of the Whole, and it was finally passed; after which the Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill was considered and passed. The rest of the session was spent in Committee of the Whole, in general debate. Both houses adjourned until Monday.

### THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate yesterday, a bill to provide for the incorporation of Roman Catholic Churches, was introduced. A motion to appoint three "clerks at large," to work among the Committees, whenever their services may be needed, was referred to the Committee on Employes. The death of the late Senator WILLARD was then announced, and the Senate soon afterward adjourned.

In the Assembly, several additional ballots for Speaker were taken without result.

### GENERAL NEWS.

By the arrival at Halifax of the steamship *Africa*, we have advices from Europe to the 28th ult.,—three days later. The political news is unimportant, and the commercial advices are meagre. The steamship *China*, from this port, arrived out on the 27th. The news received by her of the National defeat at Fredericksburgh, was the universal topic on Saturday. The friends of the North were greatly disappointed. The general deduction drawn in Liverpool was unfavorable to an early peace. Business was suspended by the holidays, but there was talk of quiet transactions in cotton at a further advance. Breadstuffs were quiet, but firmer. The Stock Exchange resumed business on Saturday, when Consols were quoted at 92¼@92¾ for money. Erie shares 43@43. Illinois Central shares 42@41 discount.

The ship *George Griswold*, freighted with breadstuffs and other necessaries for the relief of the destitute poor of Lancashire and other manufacturing districts in England, will sail to-day. There was a meeting held on board yesterday of the friends of the undertaking, at which toasts to JOHN BRIGHT and RICHARD COBDEN were drank, and speeches were made by Dr. ADAMS, Dr. VINTON, Dr. COX, Mr. GREEN, Mr. LOWE, and others.

The Missouri Legislature has elected Hon. J. B. HENDERSON United States Senator for the short term, ending March 4, 1863. The first ballot for the long term resulted thus: J. S. Phelps, 51; B. Grantz Brown, 51; S. H. Glover, 34; S. Breckinridge, 11, and J. B. Noell 5.

The Louisville *Journal* of Wednesday says: "A large force has been employed, and the timbers prepared, for the purpose of rebuilding the trestle-work destroyed by MORGAN's cavalry, in the vicinity of Muldrow's Hill. Trains with the material for the work will be sent down the road to-day, and Superintendent MARSHEL feels confident that the reconstruction will be perfect by the 1st of February, and that trains will then pass over the entire length of the road. The work of reconstructing the two bridges, water-tanks, &c., on the line of the Lebanon Branch, will be completed to-morrow or Monday, and a train will in all probability leave this city for Lebanon on Monday. The only bridges known to have been destroyed on the Lebanon Branch were the one over Wilson's Creek, and that at Boston."

The corps of Gen. SLOCUM was about a month since attached to Gen. SIGEL's command, so the latter officer now ranks as commander of a grand division. Gen. SIGEL's old corps is now commanded by Gen. STAHL.

The Washington *Republican* denies officially and emphatically, that Gen. J. E. B. STUART ever telegraphed to Quartermaster-General MEIGS, complaining of the inferior quality of the mules which he captured during his recent raid. Whether this denial is prompted by a feeling of indignation at the imputation thrown upon our mules by STUART, or of vexation at the rebel marauder's audacity in sending such a message, does not appear.

The Corporation of Newark is issuing five-cent shinplasters.

There was another day of excitement on the Stock Exchange yesterday. In the forenoon prices were higher than on Thursday, both for Stocks and Gold, but later in the day the bidding was not so eager and the additional rise was lost. Gold, 137¾; Exchange, 152.

Cotton was salable and steady yesterday. A fair business was transacted in the principal kinds of Breadstuffs at decidedly firmer prices. Provisions attracted more attention. Mess Pork was dearer. An active inquiry prevailed for refined Petroleum, which advanced materially, as also for Spices, Teas, Sugars, Coffee, Tallow, Whisky, East India Rice, Metals, domestic Cotton Goods, Fancy Cassimeres and staple Woolen Goods, which were generally held higher. Fruit, Foreign Liquors, Hay, Wool, Cotton, Tobacco and Adamantine Candles were in good request. Heavier Freight engagements were reported, at buoyant rates.

A QUESTION OF ENTERPRISE.—The *Tribune*, in reply to our statement concerning the Nashville dispatches, says:

"In our 4 o'clock edition on Saturday morning, we published a long special dispatch from our special correspondent with Gen. ROSECRANS. If the TIMES published this dispatch at all on Saturday—it may possibly have done so in a few numbers of an evening edition—it copied it from our columns, or else *sent from this office*. But on Sunday morning it published the dispatch in full, calling it 'a letter from [its] own correspondent.' We said, and we still think, that act of its not as a reproach to the *profession of journalism*. Others will think and say of it what they deem fit."

The *Tribune* professes to doubt whether the TIMES published that dispatch at all on Saturday morning. *Then why did the Tribune send us the bill for it before noon on Saturday?* True, it was in but a small part of our Saturday morning edition; but that was because the *Tribune* had put it in type for its own use before sending it to us; but it required us to *pay* just as much for it as the *Tribune* itself paid.

We care very little for the *Tribune's* denunciations on this or any other subject. Whether the tone of the TIMES, in its discussions either of general topics or of this particular matter, is a "reproach to journalism" or not, we are quite willing the public should judge. One thing is very clear, the *Tribune* seems then attempting to make other journals pay for it. That may be a creditable style of journalism, or it may not. The *Tribune*, in either case, is welcome to all the honors and the profits which it yields.

### The Question of Mediation.

We regret to perceive that the *Tribune* persists in its advocacy of foreign mediation, as a just and proper mode of ending the war which the Government of the United States is compelled to wage for the preservation of its own existence. We are glad, however, to find that the *Tribune* modifies somewhat the position which it originally took on this subject.

On Saturday, Dec. 27, in seconding the diplomatic endeavors of WM. CORNELL JEWETT to bring about the intervention of some foreign Power in our affairs, the *Tribune* held this language:

"If a Government notoriously free from partiality or from sinister impulses—that of Switzerland, for example—were to tender to our its good offices to bring about a reconciliation between us and the rebels, we should urge that the proposition be met frankly and cordially. Whatever its result, we should regard the proffer itself as an act of genuine kindness. Give us an intelligent, capable, upright tribunal, and we would urge that our Government should accept it, and appear before it, prepared to prove that the Union of all our States is a geographical and political necessity—that the North cannot possibly be fighting to subjugate the South, seeing that the Government she fights for is that which has generally secured the sway of the South—and that Slavery, nothing but Slavery, seeks the dissolution and overthrow of the American Republic. Only secure a capable and candid tribunal, and we should be willing to submit, without fear, to its arbitration."

If any disinterested foreign Government were to tender its offices as arbiter between our Government and the Rebels, the *Tribune* would "urge that our Government should accept it," and would "*submit* without fear to its arbitration."

The *Tribune* now inserts the further condition that the proposed intervention should first be "acceded to by the Rebels." We do not see that this changes in any important respect its essential character. Indeed their assent to such a proposal would carry with it a very strong presumption *against* its acceptance by us. They would scarcely accede to it unless they had something to gain by it,—unless they were either morally certain of a favorable judgment, or in such a desperate condition as to render any chance of escape acceptable. And either of these reasons would be conclusive against our assent.

The *Tribune* puts its view of the case thus:

"Having thus given place to the gist of the TIMES' article, we proceed to consider it, and will thank our neighbor to render like hospitality to our view of the matter:

I. The rebel agents who overrun Europe present our great struggle in this phase: 'The North is strong, rich, grasping, rapacious, and largely enriched at our expense by means of high tariffs and a monopoly of our coasting trade. We are tired of this, and want to row our own boat. We don't want to fight—we want peace—but the North compels us to fight or submit to its unchecked supremacy in all things. We want to buy *your* fabrics, and pay for them in our staples; but the North, by its tariffs in peace and its blockades in war, forbids. We implore intervention to stay the deluge of bloodshed and misery; but the North repels all interposition—will abide no arbitration—but insists on the ordeal of the sword alone. People of Europe! we are relatively few and poor, but we are ready to die for our independence—for liberty to trade freely with and enrich you—and we have a right to your active sympathies.' And we happen to know that these representations have great weight even with men who, if the question were one of European politics, would be too well informed to be duped by them.

II. Now, then, we say to Europe, 'These representations of the rebel slaveholders are unfair and unjust. We do, indeed, repel *such* intervention as has been proffered or threatened—that, namely, of France and Great Britain—*because these Powers have plainly evinced a partiality for the side of our enemies.* The various outgivings of Lords PALMERSTON and RUSSELL, Mr. GLADSTONE, M. DROUYN DE LHUYS, and of the Press of either country in sympathy with its Government and governing classes, betray an unmistakable desire that the slaveholders' rebellion should become a revolution, rending our country into two or more jealous if not hostile confederacies, bearing the seeds of indefinite division and disintegration. We cannot, therefore, accept the mediation of Governments radically hostile to our institutions, and which have prejudged and condemned us; but should any impartial and mutually friendly Power interpose its good offices for a termination of our quarrel, and its intervention be acceded to by the rebels, we shall be disposed to receive it in the spirit which dictated the proffer, either heartily accepting and abiding the arbitration of the mediating Power, or suggesting some alternative equally acceptable and effective.' *Such an attitude we hold that our Government might safely and wisely take*, to the immense improvement of our position in the eyes of the civilized world."

We think not. We do not believe it would be either safe or wise to take any such attitude. On the contrary, we should lower our position infinitely "in the eyes of the civilized world," and in the eyes of our own people, by inviting or tolerating any such intervention of foreign Powers in our affairs. The idea of asking Switzerland or Russia, or any other Power, friendly or adverse to our institutions, to decide whether the North is "rich, grasping and rapacious" or not,—whether the tariff does or does not work injustice to the South—whether the longing of the South to buy foreign fabrics, without paying duties upon them, is or is not reasonable and just, and whether any of the other moving pleas of the rebels, so strongly set forth by the *Tribune*, are valid as against the proscriptions of the war, strikes us as simply preposterous. These are not questions for foreign Governments at all. They have nothing whatever to do with them, and are utterly incapable, from the very nature of the case, of deciding them upon just and proper grounds. They are questions of internal policy, affecting our own rights and interests, and involving absolutely the *right* of the Government to make laws upon these or any other subjects.

But the *Tribune* thinks we ought to answer the arguments of the rebel agents, and show to Europe that their representations are "unfair and unjust." That is precisely what we are doing every day. That is the special business of the State Department, and of the diplomatic and other agents whom we have sent abroad. Whatever "arguments" these rebel agents bring to the notice of foreign Governments, are met in that way. Those which they address to the public through the Press must be answered through the same channel, in order to answer arguments or expose falsehoods of the rebel agents.

The *Tribune* seems to think that mediation would be simply the organization of a debating society. Even if it were nothing more we should deem it utterly useless. But it is a good deal more. Mediation by any foreign Government involves not only the hearing of arguments, but the *decision of the point at issue*; and the acceptance of such mediation carries with it at least the strongly implied engagement of the two parties to abide by that decision. The *Tribune's* intimation that we would "*either heartily accept and abide* the arbitration of the mediating Power, or suggest *some alternative equally acceptable and effective*," is absurd. "Equally acceptable" to whom—"and effective" for what? The question at issue is—Shall the Republic of the United States live or perish:—shall it put forth all its power, and test to the full the willing loyalty of our people in the effort to perpetuate its existence,—or shall it consent to its own destruction? Foreign mediation must answer *yes* or *no*;—and if we don't quite like the answer, on the *Tribune's* plan, we pledge ourselves to "suggest some alternative *equally acceptable and effective!*" Pray what could it possibly be?

As we said the other day, the controversy in its present shape is simply one of *force*. The result turns on military power. The *Tribune* assents to this, but adds:

"But this attitude can at best (or worst) be but temporary. 'Shall the sword devour for ever?' Were the military strength of the rebellion utterly prostrated, *there would still remain grave and delicate questions to be considered and settled, which would tax the profoundest wisdom, the purest patriotism.* We do not affirm that foreign interposition could promote their satisfactory adjustment; but we would by no means reject it before it is tendered."

All this is very true. But it does not touch the point at issue. The *Tribune* advocates mediation as a means of stopping the war;—not of settling the grave questions that will remain for action after the war is over. We agree perfectly with the *Tribune* as to the gravity and importance of those questions. They will tax to the utmost the statesmanship of the nation. What shall be done with the enfranchised slaves? What shall be the relation of the conquered South to the Union? By what practical measures shall we reconcile the right of the Southern people to self-government under the Constitution, with the possible necessity of compelling their continued allegiance to it? Upon what basis shall the finances, the commerce, the general industry of the country be placed, when the war is over? All these great and momentous topics will remain open for discussion and action after the military strength of the rebellion has been prostrated. But certainly the *Tribune* does not propose to leave *them* to the decision of foreign Powers, or to invoke their aid in disposing of them. They are purely and exclusively domestic questions. They are to be adjusted by ourselves, for our own interest, and according to our own judgment as to what that interest is. There is not a respectable minority of the people of this country, North or South, who would consent that any foreign Power should have any voice in the settlement of these great questions.

But at present we have nothing to do with them. We can deal with them when the time comes. We appreciate quite as profoundly as the *Tribune* can, the magnitude of these problems and the difficulties which will embarrass their solution. But we believe the wisdom, the prudence, the statesmanship of the country will be equal to the emergency. We shall not need *foreign* aid then, any more than we do now. *Our present condition is war.* We must meet the issues which grow out of it. Unless we are ready to concede the independence of the Southern States, we must throw our whole soul and strength into the war against the rebellion they have raised. We can listen to no plea, propose no terms, and least of all can we tolerate any interference of foreign Powers in the issue which the South has raised.

KENTUCKY AND THE PROCLAMATION.—The Legislature of Kentucky met on Thursday, and Gov. ROBINSON yesterday sent in his Message to the body. It will be seen by the telegraphic mention of it, that the Governor utters his emphatic displeasure with the Emancipation Proclamation of President LINCOLN, and calls on the Legislature also to put on record its protest against the Proclamation. It was not expected that the people of the Border Slave States would yield the same cordial support to the Emancipation edict that the rest of the loyal States have done. The force of law, education and habit retards the development of a war policy based on the emancipation of slaves in States where Slavery has been an institution for generations. The Border Slave States have held on remarkably well to their loyalty, considering the pressure internal and external that has been applied to them by the rebels. They have conquered their prejudices in many particulars, and may yet conquer their present repugnance to the Proclamation. The truly loyal men of the Border States have long since reached and proclaimed the doctrine that if the Union and Slavery become incompatible they would surrender Slavery rather than the Union. They do not believe that the necessity for one or the other to be overthrown yet exists. But the President does, and so do the vast majority of the loyal people of the country. The question with the Kentuckians now is, will they yield to a result which they have repeatedly avowed they are ready for in a certain contingency,—the overthrow of Slavery to preserve the Union—or will they, by rebelling, destroy the Union because they do not think with the great majority, that the crisis demanding the choice between the two is at hand? We confess we have strong hope that the reasonableness and loyalty of the State of HENRY CLAY will ultimately be sustained in this last and hardest test of its patriotism.

### The Confederacy Cleft in Twain.

Like all other great events in time, the battle of Murfreesboro grows in importance as we study its details and ponder the results that flow immediately and prospectively from it. At first, our interest was wholly absorbed in the severity and doubtfulness of the conflict. When the popular apprehension of disaster was relieved, the admiration of the country was fastened upon the valor and endurance of the soldiers, and the omnipresent inspiration and heroism of Gen. ROSECRANS, who snatched a victory from the very dust of defeat. And after the suspense and uncertainty as to the result, and the admiration for the skill and courage that redeemed the once lost fortunes of the day, came the proud joy of a great National victory for our arms, and the salvation of the capital of a great State, if not the redemption of the entire State, from the presence and power of the rebel despotism.

But now our congratulations take even a wider range. We find that the terrible crisis which Gen. ROSECRANS met and mastered in the cedar glades of Stones River on the ever memorable afternoon of Wednesday's dreadful battle, bears upon the life of the rebellion itself, and may speedily involve its annihilation. There can be little doubt that the defeat of the rebels at Murfreesboro is a turning point in the fortunes of the war, and ends in the extinction of some of the fondest hopes of the Confederate Government. That BRAGG's army was to triumph over Gen. ROSECRANS, and recover the State of Tennessee to Confederate sway, was boastfully proclaimed by the over-confident rebel organs at Richmond. That it has failed to do so—that it has been driven back from its purpose—that in being driven back it exposes the entire Confederacy to the extremest peril, is admitted by the rebel organs, and proves the confusion and disorder of BRAGG's retreat. The Richmond *Dispatch* in a sour and dissatisfied comment on the result at Murfreesboro, says:

"Gen. BRAGG has certainly retreated to Shelbyville, thirty miles from his victory at Murfreesboro, as he did last Fall from his victory at Perryville. On this occasion he has saved his prisoners, captured guns, stores, &c. But if he has retired (that is the fashionable phrase on our side, as a "change of base" is on the other) to Shelbyville with his whole army, he has thrown East Tennessee entirely open to the Yankees. There is a very strong position beginning with Shelbyville on the left, extending across the railroad running from Nashville to Chattanooga, at or near its junction with the Shelbyville road, with its centre at a place called Decker's, and its right terminating in the Cumberland Mountains—the whole distance being twenty-five miles from left to right, which, we understand, military men thought last Summer, ought to be the place to defend East Tennessee. It may be that BRAGG has fallen back to this position. If he has, all is right. But if he has merely gotten out of the way, with the design to go to reinforce the army facing GRANT, which is three hundred miles off, then East Tennessee is in great danger, if ROSECRANS wishes to take it. If he should once get possession of it, two hundred thousand men cannot dislodge him. And East Tennessee is precisely the very portion of the Confederacy which it is most inconvenient for us to lose, since it cuts it completely in two."

The rebel organ perceives what has so long been obvious to everybody, that the railroad through East Tennessee, connecting Virginia with the States of the Southwest, is of the highest importance to the success of the rebel arms. In the beginning of the rebellion, it was indispensable to them. It was the direct line by which Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, Tennessee, Arkansas, the greater part of Alabama, and even Kentucky, were reached and controlled from Richmond. By this line the first year's subsistence of their army in Virginia was in great part obtained, and over it hastened the tens of thousands of enthusiastic soldiers that campaigned in Northern Virginia, blockaded the Potomac, and threatened Washington the first Summer of the war.

It would have been almost fatal to the rebellion if East Tennessee had been wrested from the rebels in the very beginning of our military movements. It was easy to have been done. The region itself was overwhelmingly loyal. It begged and prayed for National protection and deliverance. It even made some effort to be free and to give its highway to the Union cause, but unaided by the Government was quickly crushed and tied on almost without hope to the rebel Confederacy. If we had possessed East Tennessee at the start every rebel soldier from the Southwest, and every pound of subsistence needed in Virginia would have been driven to the long and devious route eastward through Alabama and Georgia and northward through the Carolinas, near the Atlantic coast, to reach their destination. This one weak line would have been crushed under the accumulated demands upon it and the dangers besetting it from our coast invasions, and Virginia left almost alone to cope, the first year, with the entire power of the Government.

Our military authorities neglected the golden opportunity to discover the warlike power of the Confederacy by seizing and holding East Tennessee. The misfortune has been great, but perhaps not irremediable. The opportunity was delayed, but not wholly lost. If Gen. ROSECRANS' victory gives the long needed blow, and destroys the rebel passway by railroad through East Tennessee, it is hard to see how the rebels can ever again conduct harmonious Eastern and Western campaigns, or how, indeed, they can again concentrate large armies rapidly, east or west, to resist the immense columns that we are prepared to move upon them. The rebels at Richmond see their danger, and are dismayed. Let us hope our Government is prepared by prompt action to make good the rebel fears, and redeem one of the hitherto most manifest defects in the conduct of the war, by the full occupation of East Tennessee. It will "cut the Confederacy in two."

HONORS TO OUR ARMY.—We publish this morning two orders issued by Gen. HALLECK yesterday—one of them announcing "the gratitude of the country and the admiration of the world" to Gen. ROSECRANS, and the other propounding "the thanks of the country" to Gen. GRANT. The first public bulletin of thanks and praise to our troops during the war was issued by Secretary STANTON to the heroes of Mill Spring; and the last one preceding the present two of HALLECK was to BURNSIDE's army from the President. Congress also has this matter of gratitude and applause in its hands. There is a resolution of thanks to Gen. ROSECRANS now before the Committee of the Senate, and another of thanks to Gen. BUTLER hangs fire in the House. Thus, the Commander-in-Chief, the General-in-Chief, the Secretary of War and Congress have all tried their hands in the matter—some of them only with moderate success, as regards rhetoric and so forth.

We do not think it is possible to express too deep or general a gratitude to our noble army and its commanders for their successive exploits; but, so far as public thanks to officers in the field are concerned, we fancy that they would come with far more distinction and value if they were always put forth from the proper and the highest mediums—from the President as the head of the army, or from Congress as the more immediate representative of the people. As it is, it comes to be to a great extent a matter of whim. The President, if he feels in the mood, holds up one General to public admiration; some one of his Secretaries, being in a happy frame of mind, holds up another; the General-in-Chief also has *his* favorites; and the Senate and House have theirs. Of course a great part of the glory given is supposed to be reflected back upon the utterer of the thanks. But the work should be left altogether in the hands of the President and Congress.

THE SAILING OF THE SHIP.—Yesterday afternoon the new and splendid ship *George Griswold*, laden with gifts of food for the famished operatives of Lancashire, was towed down the Bay of New-York, and this morning she will spread her sails, and start on her voyage across the wide ocean, for the shores of England. As she moved down the Bay yesterday, she was saluted by several British vessels in the harbor; and the crowd of sailors and citizens on her deck, as well as on the steamer which towed her out, and on the other vessels in the vicinity, exhibited their generous enthusiasm by the most vociferous shouts and cheers. A nobler spectacle was never seen in our beautiful Bay. In a few weeks she will arrive in Liverpool, and, perhaps before the close of the month, her stores *will have been distributed to the hungry*, and the blessings of those who are ready to perish will have been called down upon America.

The movement in this City for the relief of English distress, has been a magnificent success. It was on the 8th of November—just two months ago—that it was first proposed in the Press in these columns; and beside the ship-load of provisions now sent out, there are yet thirty thousand dollars left in the hands of the Chamber of Commerce Committee alone—not to speak of the large sums in the hands of the other two relief organizations in the City. With the ship go the good wishes of America to those to whom it is sent, and who, during our hour of trial, have never missed an opportunity of exhibiting their friendly feelings.

THE NUISANCE OF SHINPLASTERS.—The "postal currency," as it is called, issued by the General Government, is very abundant, and makes *change* more abundant than it has been for a long time. If anyone has doubts on this subject, we shall be glad to supply him with such fractional currency as he may require. There is not the slightest necessity or excuse for shinplasters, either of corporations or individuals. And yet they are becoming more and more abundant every day.

Every person ought to *refuse* peremptorily to take these shinplasters; no matter by whom they may be issued. They are utterly illegal, and if our District Attorneys would do their duty, they would be at once suppressed. The law of Congress explicitly forbids the issue of such notes either by individuals or corporations. We have for a long time refused to receive them at the TIMES Office, and advise everybody else to imitate the example.

### The Hungarian Rebellion.

*To the Editor of the New-York Times:*

Gen. BUTLER, who is not without ability and patriotism as an American soldier and citizen, appears thoroughly unacquainted with Hungarian history. In his remarks yesterday at the Fifth-avenue Hotel, as given in your issue to-day, the following passage occurs: "The Hungarian rebellion failed, as must every rebellion of men of strongly opposed [illegible] against the rights of the many."

[illegible] purpose, the Government only was for a [illegible] tion, but a war of Hungarian National independence and economy, because, though [illegible] defeated in that war by the nobility, it was [illegible] for the rights of the many, and against Austrian injustice and perfidy. A HUNGARIAN.

### The Pacific Railroad.

INAUGURATION CEREMONIES.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Thursday, Jan. 8.

At noon to-day the California section of the Pacific Railroad was inaugurated with imposing ceremonies. Both branches of the Legislature adjourned to become [illegible] Distinguished representatives from nearly every section of the State participated in the proceedings, which were witnessed by a vast concourse of people. Gov. STANFORD presided.

At precisely [illegible] P. M. he arrived in the [illegible] for the railroad embankment in front of the [illegible] Appropriate and eloquent speeches were delivered by Gov. STANFORD, Judge CARTER, President pro tem. of the Senate, and various other members of the State Legislature.

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"A rumor was current yesterday that Gen. Sumner and his division had left Aequia Creek on transports for the South."

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### Wilmington, N. C., to be Burned Before Surrender—Blockade the Blockade.

Richmond papers of a late date have been received from Southern Mission. The following extracts are from the Enquirer:

"Among the Northern Contrabands.—A man, giving his name as W. Green, escaped from Suffolk, Va., with a day or two ago, and landed in the Military Prison. He is supposed to be a spy. A man calling himself Bailey, also arrested near Gordonsville for attempting to pass our lines northward, was received yesterday at the same institution.

The discovery of War has dropped from others, belonging to the Fifty-seventh North Carolina Regiment, for straggling and unnecessary absence from duty, and they are ordered to report to conscripts.

An order was recently received to burn Wilmington, but it was countermanded in full into the hands of the enemy.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 28.—The large iron steamer *Giraffe*, with a valuable cargo of Government stores, and a special commission from Nassau, arrived at Cape Fear last night.

The Dispatch of the 10 says:

Prof. Dr. Shaw D. Ross, of Richmond, has sailed from Independence port for Nassau, in company Blockade. The Virginia State Society has authorized him to procure 30,000 State stamps.

The Tennessee Legislature.

INDEPENDENCE, Friday, Jan. 9.

The election of United States Senator did not take place today. The Democratic caucus nominees are J. A. Emerson and David Venable.

The Governor was transmitted to the Senate for want of a quorum, the Republicans boiling. The House refused to hear the Governor's Message without a Joint Convention of both Houses. It refers principally to State affairs; likewise the Emancipation Proclamation as a military war measure, and says the people of the North must not be deluded with the idea that compromise is possible, or abandon the effort to suppress the rebellion. The State has furnished over one hundred and two thousand volunteers during the war.

The Maine Legislature.

PORTLAND, Friday, Jan. 9.

A special to the Press from Augusta, states that the Secretary of State, Attorney-General, Adjutant-General and seven Executive Councilors, nominated by the Republicans, were elected to-day.

Tuesday next is appointed for the election of United States Senator. It is anticipated that Mr. Hamlin will be elected.

A bill was passed by both Houses legalizing the suspension of specie payment until Jan. 1, 1866.

St. Louis, Friday, Jan. 9.

The balloting in the Legislature for United States Senator, presents no new feature.

A letter from Mr. Chavez, received in the House today, takes strong grounds in favor of the President's proclamation.

Mr. Smacznor's bill disfranchising the rebels, was warmly discussed, but no action was taken.

The City Government of Knoxville.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Friday, Jan. 9.

The Board and Common Councils for the present year met and organized to-day. They passed an ordinance, making a levy and appropriation of $72,000 to pay the interest for the year 1863 on the whole of the Confederate Railroad Bonds of 1860. Many of the bondholders have accepted the compromise, and it is expected that the whole amount will be arranged during the year. In view of this fact the Councils have provided for the payment of the interest upon the whole amount of Compromise Bonds.

Rebel Attack on a Construction Train.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Friday, Jan. 9.

DICK McCOWN attacked a construction train at Antioch, nine miles from Chattanooga, on the railroad. He destroyed a locomotive, two cars and the Mill Creek bridge, and captured the bridge builders and paroled them. No resistance was offered.

Slaving Steamers.

HALIFAX, Friday, Jan. 9.

The ship *Louisa Laurie*, from New-York for Liverpool, has got in here leaky, and will undergo repairs.

The crew of the schooner *Friendship*, from Boston for Maine, have been rescued off the wreck, and have arrived at Barrington, N. S.

The Delaware United States Senatorship.

DOVER, Del., Friday, Jan. 9.

Mr. BAYARD was reelected United States Senator from this State to-day. The vote stood as follows: for Mr. BAYARD, 19; for Mr. HAZEWOOD, 12.

The Reported Death of Ex-Gov. Packer.

HARRISBURG, Penn., Friday, Jan. 9.

There is no foundation in the reported death of Ex-Gov. PACKER. He has been quite ill, but is now fully recovered.

Weather Report, Jan. 10.

BOSTON, Mass.—At 8 A. M., thermometer, 30°; wind light, southeast—clear.

WORCESTER, Mass.—At 9 A. M., thermometer, 22°; barometer, 29° 17; wind southwest—cloudy, with prospect of snow.

HARTFORD, Ct.—At 9 A. M., not received.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—At 9 A. M., thermometer 28°; wind north—cloudy.

NEW-HAVEN, Ct.—At 9 A. M., thermometer, 28°; wind southeast—cloudy.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass.—At 9 A. M., thermometer, 30°; wind northwest—cloudy.

NEW-YORK—At 9 A. M., thermometer, 48°; wind east—cloudy.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn.—At 9 A. M., thermometer, 30°; wind east—cloudy.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—At 9 A. M., thermometer, 28°; wind northwest—cloudy.

## MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK ...SATURDAY, Jan. 10.

Arrived this Forenoon.

Steamship *Marion*, Johnson, New-Orleans Jan. 2, with mdse and passengers to Stafford, Tinson & Co. Jan. 3, on the bar, passed steamship Illinois, hence bound in; 4th, lat. 34 20, passed steamship Columbia, off Hatteras.

Steamer Nimble, (H. B. M. gunboat,) Dr. Kay, Bermuda 7 days. Has a crew of Rebels and mounts guns.

Ship National, (of Bath,) Tyson, Valencia 45 days, and 23 from Gibraltar, in ballast to master.

Bark Belle of the Sea, (of Boston,) Nickerson, Cardenas Dec. 2, with salt to master.

Brig Belle of the Bay, (of Boston,) Hallowell, New-Orleans 23 days, sugar and molasses to Crosby, Lowell & Everett.

Brig Marion (of Boston), Crowell, Cardenas 9 days, with salt to master.

Schr. Cleo, (Br., of [illegible]), [illegible], 9 days, with salt to C. H. Brumley.

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REV. THOS. MARSDEN.—TESTIMONIAL OF RESPECT.—Rochester-av., Mission Church, Brooklyn.—On Tuesday evening, Jan. 6, after a pleasant tea-meeting, at which every delicacy was bountifully provided by the ladies, Robt. King, Esq., took the Chair, and, in a feeling speech, stated the occasion of their coming together. He then called upon J. H. Wansteall, Esq., who, after a suitable speech, read the following address:

*To Rev. Thos. Marsden, late Pastor of the Rochester-avenue Mission Church:*

DEAR BROTHER: Before parting with sincere gratitude, the participants in the tea-meeting, during the past year, through your ministry, and the zeal which you have manifested in promoting the cause of Christianity and the spread of the Gospel in this neighborhood, we unite in tendering to you this humble gift, as an expression of the high esteem and affection we have toward you—assuring you that we duly appreciate that magnanimity of character, consistent deportment, and firmness of principle, which has been so worthily exemplified in your conduct during your ministry in this place. Our entering from this field of labor produces in all of us feelings of regret. We trust, however, that the Great Disposer of all events will guide you in your future career of usefulness, and that you may ever be enabled to promulgate those truths, which you have so earnestly, faithfully, and with so much ability endeavored to inculcate on us. Accept, then, this small token of our gratitude, with our warmest thanks and our wishes for your temporal and spiritual good, feeling assured that He who acknowledgeth a cup of cold water offered in His name, will recompense you for the sacrifices you have made, and labors performed in this portion of His vineyard. Signed in behalf of the Congregation of the Rochester-av. Mission Church: John H. Wansteall, Robert King, Allen Moore, Thomas Smith, John Smith, Geo. Evens. Mr. Wansteall then presented the address and a copy of "Barnes' Notes," beautifully bound in calf. Rev. Thos. Marsden, in affectionate language, returned thanks. After which Allen Moore, Esq., on behalf of the ladies, in an appropriate speech, presented to Miss Jane Eliza Marsden a copy of "The Poets of the Nineteenth Century," elegantly bound in morocco, for her musical services. Mr. Marsden returned thanks for his daughter, and, after singing and prayer, bid them an affectionate farewell.

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# FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

## Continuation of the Dead-Lock in the Assembly.

## Gov. Seymour and His Message Once More.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Friday, Jan. 9, 1863.

The story of the three preceding days need not be repeated, varied, as they were, only by the passing off of Mr. PRIMOLE and Mr. McLEAN, (the latter having heard of the death of a brother, and the former being quite ill,) and for the two or three ballots of Mr. HUNTER and Mr. CAMPBELL, thus reducing the vote by so many, but continuing the dead-lock.

After an hour's voting, Mr. LOTT, of Queens, wanted to adjourn over till Tuesday, and so, in reality, enough more to carry the resolution, but it was voted down largely under the rule of discipline. It was encouraging that so many thought their sense of duty would not permit them to do anything that looked in the least like squandering a moment's time. It was difficult to perceive, however, how much better would be the continued voting for three days as before, without the slightest prospect of effecting an organization, than a recess for that time, which would afford an opportunity for members to consult their constituents. In fact, it is more than suspected that this opportunity constituted motive enough with the many Democrats for not adjourning.

That no expectation was entertained of arriving at any other result than that which had marked the voting thus far, or that there was in fact very great anxiety to spend the time in earnest efforts to effect an organization, was shown by the disposition toward trivial motions, by which much time was consumed. However, these episodes are pleasant enough, and the time might be worse spent. When afterward some half-dozen more members asked leave of absence, it came out that pairing off had been extensively going on, with and without leave. And furthermore, it came out that, after all, the feeling in favor of adjourning for a few days prevailed more extensively than was shown by the previous vote on the question.

It is among the best authenticated rumors that Mr. FERNANDO WOOD has at least once prevented an organization, much to the disappointment and exasperation of certain of his party, who had been to no inconsiderable pains to pilot the House to the promised port.

Mr. GOSWELL, in the Senate, introduced the following bill:

AN ACT to Incorporate Roman Catholic Churches.

1. It shall be lawful for any Roman Catholic Church or congregation, now or hereafter existing in this State, to be incorporated according to the provisions of this act. The Roman Catholic Archbishop or Bishop of the Diocese in which such church may be situated or intended to be, the Vicar-General of such Diocese and the pastor of such church for the time being respectively, or a majority of them, may appoint two laymen, members of said church, and may, together with such laymen, sign a certificate in duplicate, showing the name or title by which such church and their successors shall be known and distinguished as a body corporate by virtue of this act, which certificate shall be duly acknowledged or proved in the manner as is now provided by law for deeds; and when such certificates shall be filed in the office of Secretary of State, and the other in the office of the Clerk of the County in which such church may be erected or intended to be, and thereupon, such church or congregation shall be a body corporate by the name or title expressed in such certificate, and the said persons so signing the same shall be the trustees thereof; the successors of any such Archbishop, Bishop, Vicar-General, or Pastor respectively, for the time being, shall by virtue of his office be the trustee of such church in place of his predecessor; and such laymen shall hold their offices respectively one year, and whenever the office of any such layman shall become vacant by death, removal or resignation, or otherwise, his successor shall be appointed in the same manner as herein provided for his original selection.

2. The Trustees of any such church or congregation, and their successors, shall have all the power and authority granted to the Trustees of any such church, congregation or society, by the fourth section of the act, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation of Religious Societies," passed April 5, 1813, and shall also have power to fix or ascertain the salary to be paid to any pastor or assistant pastor of such church, and to sell, mortgage, convey, and otherwise dispose of such property, real or personal of such church, for the use and benefit thereof; and the whole real and personal estate of any such church edifice, parsonage and school-house, together with the land on which the same may be erected, shall not exceed the amount, value or income of $10,000.

3. The trustees of any church incorporated under this act may be removed, by the Supreme Court, in an action to said Court, once in three years, an inventory of all the estate, real and personal, belonging to such church, and the annual income thereof; provided that, whenever such an inventory shall have been once exhibited as aforesaid, it shall not be required of such trustees again to exhibit the same unless they shall have acquired subsequently thereto any other lands within this State.

4. Whenever any church incorporated under this act, shall be dissolved by means of any non-use or neglect to exercise any of the powers necessary for its preservation or corporate existence, the same may be reincorporated in the mode prescribed in this act, and thereupon all the property, real and personal, belonging to such dissolved Corporation at the time of the dissolution, shall rest in such new Corporation.

5. All conveyances to any such church incorporated under this act of any real estate heretofore appropriated to the use of such church, or the congregation thereof, or intended to be, are hereby confirmed and declared valid and effectual.

6. This act shall take effect immediately.

The House continued to vote till the usual hour and adjourned.

The report of the Canal Appraisers has been sent in, from which it appears that from Jan. 1, 1861, to Sept. 30, 1862, the number of claims filed was 4,215, amounting to $7,322,794 50, on which was allowed. Unheard claims amount to 717, on which is claimed about $1,000,000. Claims heard and allowed in 1861 were 237; amount claimed, $363,038; amount allowed, $202,436 61. The whole amount allowed by the Legislature from 1817 to 1861 is $3,810,941 83—of which $2,407,010 was for the Erie Enlargement, and $1,403,931 28 for all others.

A law to legalize local assessments of bounty monies, and the action of town and county authorities in regard thereto, will claim the early attention of the Legislature. Every member feels a direct interest, the only difference of opinion being as to minor details.

The anti-New-England spirit which runs through Gov. SEYMOUR's Message, and the aid which he covertly renders to the scheme for setting the Western and Middle States against that section of the Union, is the subject of much comment among thoughtful men withdrawn from active politics, and occupying positions favorable for impartial observation. The session of the Court of Appeals drawing to the capital many of the first men of the State, some of whom at least, through whose veins course the best blood of Democracy, have not hesitated to express freely the opinion that the Governor has made a grand mistake in permitting himself to be made the medium for reaching the sentiments of sympathizers with rebellion in New-York City and elsewhere, some of them recreant sons of the glorious mother that bore them, and who is sending out her sons now to preserve the Union which she contributed so much to establish. Mr. SEYMOUR is himself a direct descendant from New-England, and there is a species of disloyalty in the attitude which he has assumed toward her that is in spirit nearly allied to the rebellion. While the Governor exhorts all men to compromise and give up their prejudices towards the South, he stimulates every worst kind of prejudice toward the oldest and one of the finest sections of the Union; and while invoking harmony, he seeks to stir up discord where naught but the most perfect harmony should exist, and where, if it does not exist, it is on account of the efforts which Democratic leaders, sympathizing with the rebellion, have put forth to destroy that happy state of feeling. Probably no Executive of our State entered on the administration with higher expectations or a larger share of the confidence of his fellow-citizens than Gov. SEYMOUR. Thousands of them all over the State, and all over the North, not identified with the party of which he was the candidate, were waiting for him to speak, hoping to cooperate in any plan that to them should seem practicable for harmonizing the country. But if this is his plan: If the seceded States are to be propitiated by setting the Middle and Western States against New-England, then they will find a disappointment as well as he, in any expectation he may have had of winning the support of the country. If it is true that Gov. SEYMOUR is to be the Democratic Presidential candidate, as seems to be hoped for general almost everywhere, he has been unfortunate in laying down his platform, for the mind of New-England circulates in the many veins and secure for the plan indicated in his Message, openly advocated by his recognized champions in New-York and followed up by the Chicago *Times*, Cincinnati *Enquirer* and other Democratic organs at prominent points, the least prospect of success. If Gov. SEYMOUR has been misunderstood, thousands will be glad to be informed of it, to facilitate they will be, if such is really the fact.

RODERICK.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE.

### SENATE.

ALBANY, Friday, Jan. 9.

Mr. CONNOLLY introduced a bill to provide for the incorporation of Roman Catholic Churches.

Mr. FRUYN resigned his position on the Committee of Engrossed Bills and Medical Societies.

Mr. BRADLEY resigned from the Committee on Claims.

Mr. FARREN moved that the Committee on Cities and Villages be authorized to appoint a clerk.

Mr. FRUYN said a large number of clerks were paid last year, who did little or no work. This was an unnecessary expense. He moved as an amendment that the President appoint three persons as clerks at large, to work wherever their services are needed.

The subject was referred to the Committee relative to employes of the Senate.

The Clerk announced the death of the late Senator WILLARD in appropriate remarks.

After some further remarks from Messrs. FOLGER, MURPHY, FRUYN and COOX, eulogistic of the virtues of the deceased, the Senate adjourned over until Monday evening, at 7 o'clock.

### ASSEMBLY.

ALBANY, Friday, Jan. 9.

The Canal Appraiser's report was presented. The number of claims filed from Jan. 1, 1861, to Sept. 30, 1862, was 4,215, and the amount claimed, $7,322,000. The unheard of claims amount to 717, on which there is claimed the sum of $1,000,000. The claims decided in 1861 were 237, and the amount allowed on them $202,436. The total amount awarded by the Appraisers is $3,810,940.

Mr. DUREEA moved that the mileage per diem and stationery allowance to members be paid in specie. Laid over.

Mr. LOTT moved that the Assembly adjourn over until Tuesday next.

Motion lost.

The House then resumed voting for a Speaker, each vote resulting as follows:

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| Gilbert Dean | 62 |
| Henry Sherwood | 63 |

Mr. McLEAN, Democrat, and Mr. PATRICK, Republican, in consequence of the death of a brother of the former and the sickness of the latter, were not present.

Mr. FERAN, of Richmond, moved to continue the balloting without interruption until an organization was effected.

Motion lost.

The House then refused to grant leave of absence for any "pairs" except in cases of sickness.

Mr. HAMMS, Democrat, in consequence of sickness, paired off with P. H. FIELD, Republican, until Tuesday.

The thirty-seventh ballot was reached, with the following result:

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| Gilbert Dean | 60 |
| Henry Sherwood | 60 |

Several attempts to adjourn over were opposed by Mr. T. C. FLEMING, and the motions to do so were lost.

Finally the House concluded to adjourn until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning. Adjourned.

# THE PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

### SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Jan. 9.

Mr. COWAN, of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) presented a petition for a National Bureau of Statistics.

Mr. NESMITH, of Oregon, (Dem.,) from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported a bill to authorize the President to negotiate treaties with certain tribes of Indians.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) introduced a bill to construct a ship canal for the passage of naval and armed vessels from the Mississippi River to Lake Michigan, and to enlarge the locks of the Erie and Oswego Canals, of New-York, to adapt them to the defence of the Northern Lakes. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. WILEY, of Virginia, (Union,) gave notice of a bill to aid the State of Western Virginia in the speedy and final abolishment of Slavery therein.

Mr. WRIGHT, of Indiana, (Union,) offered a resolution instructing the Committee on the Conduct of the War to inquire into the present condition of the Loudon and Hampshire Railroad to Harper's Ferry, whether it will shorten communication with the Western Railroad, and what will be the probable cost of the repairs to said road. Laid over.

Mr. POWELL, of Kentucky, (Dem.,) called up the resolution censuring Gen. GRANT's order expelling Jews.

Mr. HALE, of New-Hampshire, (Rep.,) said the order had already been revoked.

Mr. POWELL was glad of that, and commended the President for so doing. But he wished to have the resolution passed, to show the opinion of the Senate on such an order against a class of citizens.

Mr. CLARK, of New-Hampshire, (Rep.,) thought the order was wrong; but he was not willing to censure Gen. GRANT, now fighting in the field, unheard. He moved to postpone the resolution indefinitely.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, said Gen. GRANT had issued an order which no one thought right, and which had been promptly revoked; and there, he thought, the matter ought to rest.

Mr. HALE moved to lay the resolution on the table, which was agreed to—YEAS, 30; NAYS, 7.

The Vice-President laid before the House a communication from the Secretary of War, transmitting the report of Capt. CRAWFORD, commanding the emigrant escort to Oregon and Washington Territory in 1862. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. HARRIS, of New-York, (Rep.,) from the Judiciary Committee, reported back the bill for the punishment of persons convicted of crime in the District of Columbia.

The bill provides for the confinement of such persons in the prisons of convenient States, legalizes the sending of such persons to the State Prison at Auburn, N. Y., and provides for the payment of $10 to such persons on their release to convey them home.

The bill was passed.

Mr. COLLAMER, of Vermont, (Rep.,) introduced a bill to regulate judicial proceedings in certain cases. He said there had been a great deal of fault found for arrests which had been made, and bills had been prepared to obviate the difficulty. He never saw any reason for complaints against Gen. JACKSON for saying that he must execute the Constitution as he understood it. The Executive was just as much called upon to construe the Constitution as any other department of the Government, and his construction is just as binding. The different departments of the Government were coordinate, and no one was superior to the others. The Judiciary, when the question comes before them, decide the Constitution as to the question in suit, and it is binding so far, and no further. The Executive, during the recess of Congress, was called upon to decide upon the construction of that clause of the Constitution relating to the suspension of the writ of *habeas corpus*. No one will say that he made any mistake intentionally in that construction. But allowing that any mistake had been made, and unconstitutional acts had been committed, we cannot smother up and strangle unconstitutional acts by passing unconstitutional laws. If the President has suspended the *habeas corpus* wrongfully, we shall hardly cure the matter by suspending all other laws. The power of suspending the writ was to enable the President, in cases of emergency for the safety of the country, to arrest persons to prevent them committing treason against the nation, and further, to hold persons who have committed crime, and prevent their being tried; for State reasons sometimes make it necessary that persons should not be tried immediately. He would not smother up judicial proceedings. But by his bill he suffered every person to bring a suit, if they had been wrongfully treated, regardless of the oath to indemnify the President, as all that the only indemnification that could be had was a pecuniary one to the person claiming to have been damaged. His bill also provided for the transfer of all these suits so brought against persons who made any of these arrests, to the Circuit Court of the United States. In many of these suits good faith and probable cause would be a good defence, or, if damages should be awarded, they could only be for real damage done to individuals; and nothing could be awarded in the way of smart money, or punitive damages. He would have the whole question just fairly.

The bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. SUMNER, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) the bill for the relief of the Norwegian bark *Admiral P. Tordenskiold* was taken up and passed.

Mr. FESSENDEN, of Maine, (Rep.,) from the Committee on Finance, reported back the joint resolution for the prompt payment of our soldiers, sailors and marines, with amendment as a substitute.

Mr. SUMNER introduced a bill to suspend the sale of land on the islands on the coast of South Carolina and Georgia, in and about Port Royal. Referred to the Military Committee.

Mr. SAULSBURY, of Delaware, (Dem.,) presented the credentials of Hon. JAS. A. BAYARD, reelected United States Senator from the State of Delaware for six years from the 4th of March next.

Read and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. DAVIS, of Kentucky, (Union,) the bill providing for rubber volunteers for the defence of Kentucky was taken up, the rubber troops being substituted for those proposed by the Military Committee, which provides for raising 20,000 men, and gives the President power to send them out of the State of any time necessary.

Mr. TRUMBULL, of Illinois, (Rep.,) was opposed to this objectionable species of legislation for raising 20,000 men, not in Kentucky alone, but in any State, for the defence of public property in Kentucky. If more men were needed, raise them in the ordinary way, and not by this special legislation for a particular State.

Mr. HARLAN, of Iowa, (Rep.,) moved to amend the substitute of the Committee so as to allow the President to raise not exceeding 20,000 troops in any one State, to be used in any other State when necessary.

After some discussion, the question still pending, the Senate went into Executive Session, at the termination of which they adjourned until Monday.

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Jan. 9.

Mr. BUFFINGTON, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) presented from the Committee on Military Affairs a majority and minority report on the bill authorizing the raising of 20,000 volunteers for Tennessee.

Mr. SARGEANT, of California, (Union,) introduced a bill to establish a Branch Mint in Nevada. Referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. DUNN, of Indiana, (Rep.,) asked, but did not receive leave, to introduce a bill to facilitate the transportation of troops, stores and mails, between the City of Washington, Point of Rocks, and Pittsburgh.

Mr. BLAKE, of Ohio, (Rep.,) introduced a resolution instructing the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds to take immediate measures for the removal of JOHN PLANT, one of the Capitol Police, for the inhuman treatment of a soldier on the Capitol grounds this morning.

Mr. BLAKE said this policeman attacked a soldier and broke a cane over his head, for asking a gentleman to give him money, which the latter did. The soldiers had no money to pay for newspapers, &c. He, in company with the Vice-President, witnessed the cruel assault. He therefore wanted that policeman to be removed.

Mr. COX, of Ohio, (Dem.,) doubted the power of the House to take action in the premises.

Mr. BLAKE merely wished to make the Committee the medium for the policeman's removal.

Mr. TRAIN, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) said the Committee had nothing to do with the subject. The Vice-President and Speaker had authority over it, and application should be made to them.

Mr. CALVERT, of Maryland, (Union,) remarked that the House should not act on an *ex parte* statement. Both policemen and soldiers sometimes committed outrages. The policeman should be handed over to the proper tribunal for trial.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. MALLORY, of Kentucky, (Union,) introduced a bill amendatory of the act relative to the construction of bridges over the Ohio River. Referred to the Committee on Roads and Canals.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a Post-office Appropriation bill, which was made the special order for Wednesday.

The House, in Committee of the Whole, resumed the consideration of the Executive, Judicial and Legislative Appropriation bill.

Several amendments were made, including a proviso to the clause making appropriation for the compensation and mileage of members, that until further legislation no part of this appropriation shall be paid for the mileage of Senators and Representatives, beyond the sum of ten cents per mile each way, and the distance shall be computed according to existing laws.

The bill then passed.

The Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill was next considered.

Mr. STEVENS explained that this bill created no new offices, but was to carry out existing laws for the payment of salaries.

After unimportant proceedings, the bill passed.

Mr. ORDE, of New-York, (Dem.,) presented the petitions of the principal shipowners for the reduction of the onerous tax upon vessels by the Internal Revenue act. It is now ten cents per ton for each entry.

The House went into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of general debate.

Mr. NORTON, of Missouri, (Dem.,) during his speech, said if the Republican Party had not been organized on a sectional basis, we should to-day be a happy and united people. Before peace could return, the reign of reason, justice, mercy and right must be reestablished, superseding prejudice, passion, vindictiveness and hate. He would disband both armies, and ask for a National Convention to arrange the present troubles and restore the Union as it was.

Mr. BINGHAM, of Ohio, (Rep.,) characterized Mr. NORTON's speech as a lame, impotent apology for the most wicked and infamous rebellion ever witnessed among the children of men. The gentleman had argued in a carefully-written speech, that if a large portion of the American people had not exercised their rights under the Constitution this land would not have been drenched in blood.

Mr. BIDDLE, of Pennsylvania, (Union,) said the warning against the evil and danger of a sectional party did not originate with the gentleman from Missouri, but with higher authority, namely, WASHINGTON, who warned us against what we now experienced.

Mr. BINGHAM referred the gentleman to the very first act of WASHINGTON, approved under the Constitution, by which the fundamental law was established that the vast territories of the United States should never turn pale under the mangled foot of the bondsman.

Mr. COX wanted to know what—according to the gentleman—WASHINGTON meant by sectional party.

Mr. BINGHAM replied: A party which undertakes to establish, by means of party organization, the meanest, aristocratic and most contemptible despotism on the face of the earth.

Mr. COX said GEORGE WASHINGTON had the gentleman in his eye, when he spoke of sectional organization.

Mr. BINGHAM was obliged to his colleague for the information. The gentleman from Missouri had remarked that he would disband both armies, and call a National Convention. Now, he (Mr. BINGHAM) thought he saw in this a side-door arrangement, by which to get up a National Convention. He wanted to know how this was to be done.

Mr. NORTON replied, through the State Legislatures.

Mr. BINGHAM earnestly spoke of the inconsistencies of those who clamored for the Union as it was, and the Constitution as it is, and in this connection he alluded to the scheme of VALLANDIGHAM, to divide the country into four parts.

Mr. HOLMAN, of Indiana, (Dem.,) asked whether any Democrat indorsed that scheme.

Mr. BINGHAM replied that he had not so charged, and proceeded at length to speak of the unhallowed schemes of the Secessionists and traitors.

The Committee rose, and the House adjourned until Monday.

# DEPARTMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA.

## The Congressional Election in the Second District—The Free-Labor Movement—The Maine Artillery.

NEWBERN, N. C., Monday, Jan. 5,
Via FORT MONROE, Thursday, Jan. 8.

The returns of the Congressional election, held on the 1st inst., in four of the eleven counties of the Second District come in quite slowly. Later returns are more favorable to Mr. FOSTER, the free-labor candidate, who received the solid vote of all the North Carolina Union soldiers, who are qualified electors. Inasmuch, however, as the oath of allegiance was not exacted of the voters, Gov. STANLY's candidate, Mr. PRESCOTT, has doubtless received a considerable majority in the district.

STEPHEN F. WILLIS, an old and respected citizen of Beaufort, and a Conservative Union man, received a flattering vote in Carteret County. Hundreds of Unionists refrained from voting, and the entire vote polled will not reach 600. The impression prevails here that Congress will refuse to recognize the validity of the election, in consequence of the reception of many disloyal votes, which were received in accordance with the express instructions of the Military Governor.

The Union and Free-Labor men of Eastern North Carolina are to hold an indignation meeting, to protest against the recognition, and to appoint an attorney to go to Washington City to expose and dispute it. The immediate removal of Gov. STANLY will also be demanded.

Nearly 600 men of the Marine Artillery are confined in various jails and forts in this Department on bread and water for insubordination and vagrancy. The remainder of this regiment are wandering about the streets in a condition of entire destitution, having no rations and not allowed to go North. They assert that they have never received any pay, and they understand now that the service no longer claims them, and that they had never belonged to either the army or navy.

## Meeting of the Minnesota Legislature.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Monday, Jan. 5.

The Legislature convened on Tuesday.

The Governor's Message is mostly confined to State affairs and especially to the Indian outbreak.

Minnesota has furnished 300 men over her quota, besides crushing out the greatest Indian uprising ever known in this country.

The Governor demands that the Indians shall be removed from the border of the State.

The contest for the United States Senatorship commences next Tuesday.

# FROM THE SOUTH.

JEFF. DAVIS IS THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE.—JEFF. DAVIS addressed the Mississippi Legislature, at Jackson, on the 8th ult. The galleries were filled with ladies, and when the President appeared the whole hall rang with applause. The address was quite a long one. We give the chief points:

The President spoke of his love for the old Union. He alluded to it, however, as a matter of regret, that the best affections of his heart should have been bestowed upon an object so unworthy—that he should have loved so long a Government which was rotten to the very core. He had predicted from the beginning a fierce war, though it had assumed more gigantic proportions than he had calculated upon. He had predicted war, not because our right to secede was not an undoubted one, and clearly defined in the spirit of that Declaration which rests the right to govern upon the consent of the governed, but the wickedness of the North would entail war upon the country. The present war, waged against the rights of a free people, was unjust, and the fruit of the evil passions of the North. In the progress of the war those evil passions have been brought out and developed; and so far from reuniting with such a people—a people whose desecrations CROMWELL had gathered from *the bogs and fens of Ireland and Scotland*—a people whose intolerance produced discord and trouble wherever they went—who persecuted Catholics, Episcopalians, and every other sect that did not subscribe to their bigoted and contracted notions—who hung witches, and did a thousand other things calculated to make them forever infamous. The President was emphatic in his declaration that under no circumstances would he consent to reunion. He drew a glowing picture of the horrors of war, and the ravages of the enemy; and while his tears flowed for those who suffered, yet all these would be endured, cheerfully, before our manhood and our liberties would be surrendered.

*He alluded briefly to his desire to transfer the war upon Northern soil, but the failure to do this proceeded not from a want of inclination, but of power.* We were not an old established nation, with armies and navies at our command. These had to be improvised from the scanty materials to be found within the limits of our own Confederacy. We were blockaded and cut off from other nations, and everybody knows that we had been an agricultural people, and that our facilities for manufacturing materials of war were extremely limited. Notwithstanding this fact, patent to the most casual observer, we had now an army larger than ever before—our arms and munitions of war were increased in number, and improved in quality, and we are in a better condition to-day than we were twelve months ago.

He alluded to the conscription and exemption laws of Congress, explaining the necessity of the one, and the intention of the other. Was sorry to perceive that there had been a false construction put upon the first of these laws. There was no dishonor in being conscripted. The Government had as much right to make laws requiring the services of its citizens in the army, as to compel them to work public roads or to pay taxes. The object of that portion of the exemption law which exempted the owner, agent or overseer of twenty negroes, was not intended to draw any distinction whatever between classes. No benefit was intended to the rich from it. It was simply to provide a police force, which Congress thought necessary, and to facilitate the agricultural productions of the country, to supply the wants of both the poor people and the army.

Any law intended to bear unfairly upon the poor, even to a feather's weight, would never have received his signature. "The poor have fought our battles," says the President. "And so have the rich." The poor in all revolutions are the main stay and prop of the country. But while the poor have nobly done their duty, we have no cause to complain of the rich. All have done well, and many of the wealthiest and most distinguished families in the South have sons in the ranks. He instanced Hon. ISAAKT WELKE and others, who had fought as privates in the bloodiest engagements of the war. He thought there might be very properly a revision of the exemption law, and trusted there would be no conflict between Confederate and State laws upon the subject of the military; that there should be no war with States, and if any State chose to inflict a blow upon the common cause by enacting conflicting military laws, he hoped that Mississippi would be the last to adopt such a suicidal policy.

The President expressed his gratification at the message of Gov. PETTUS, and cordially indorsed his views in reference to making provisions for indigent families, and the enrollment of conscripts who could be ready, upon an emergency, to go forth and occupy the trenches while the disciplined troops and active soldiery could take the field. The calls for such service could be for thirty, sixty or ninety days, and when the emergency had passed they could return to their pursuits. Raw soldiers, the President contended, could do efficient service in the trenches, and the adoption of such a policy would strengthen our means of defence quite materially.

In his allusion to the vast numbers of the North, the President said that upon any fair field, we were willing to fight them two to one; we have often whipped them three to one; at Antietam we whipped them four to one; but this might not be the case always. As the enemy progressed in discipline, they approached nearer to our own troops in efficiency. Hence the necessity of providing something like a corresponding force to that which the enemy are bringing against us.

The President denounced in terms of scathing but dignified rebuke the habit of straggling from the army. He invoked public opinion to frown it down, and called upon the women to drive the stragglers back to duty.

He urged the necessity of filling up the thinned ranks of our regiments. Those veterans who had gone through many hard fought battles looked for their kindred at home to supply the places which had been made vacant by the death of their comrades. A brigade which mustered only 1,200 men, would have to bleed as much as if it had its full quota of 4,000. Their ranks must be filled, humanity demanded it. It was a time for patriots to throw off the shackles of private interest, fly to the rescue of those heroes whom the ravages of war had so impaired, and consecrate themselves to the most sacred cause on earth.

The President remarked that when he arrived here he thought the enemy were pouring down upon us from the northern borders of our State, but when he went to Grenada he there learned that nothing could be seen of them but their backs. They were going back, perhaps, with the intention of reinforcing the heavy columns that was now being thrown down the Mississippi River. The real points of attack were at Vicksburgh and Port Hudson; and to all who desired to lend a helping hand to the country in her present exigency he would say: "Go to Port Hudson and Vicksburgh without delay."

He spoke of the salutary effects of harmonious action between the several States and the Government at Richmond, and urged upon legislators, both State and Confederate, the necessity of establishing a permanent military system; for, even after the war was ended, we might expect trouble from our enemies, unless our military establishment was of such a character as to give them a wholesome fear of precipitating a war upon us. The true theory was to adopt a military system which would be permanent, and operative in time of peace.

The issue involved in this war was no ordinary one. The question is, will you be free, or will you be the slaves of the most depraved and intolerant and tyrannical and hated people upon earth? This was the real question to be decided. Everything else was as dust in the balance. A people who had demonstrated their utter incapacity for self-government, who have destroyed their own liberties in the vain effort to deprive us of ours, seek to be our masters, and inflict upon us such galling chains as have no parallel in the annals of tyranny. Mississippi is the object of their peculiar hatred; upon her is to be visited their refined vengeance. But our cause is just and vengeance belongs to the Lord. We will resist the power of the enemy. Discard all other considerations but the public defence, and victory will again be ours.

The President alluded very briefly to the falsehoods which had been circulated relative to the Administration, which he could not disprove, because the disproval would give the enemy a knowledge of things which the good of the cause required to be concealed from him. That he had committed some errors he did not doubt, though they were never the result of improper motives. For a vindication of himself from the aspersions of some of his fellow-citizens, he confidently awaited the time when the cause would not suffer from such vindication. He, however, explained the great necessity of public confidence in the officers of the Government, and pointed to that great and good man, Gen. ALBERT SIDNEY JOHNSON, as a shining example of the ill effects of withholding that deserved confidence which the public welfare requires.

Though the war had somewhat exceeded his expectations, yet he never doubted our final success, and he considered it now as absolutely certain. The duration of the war was a question of time. He thought, however, it was not possible for a war waged upon such a tremendous scale to be long protracted. Be it long or short, however, we could not be the first to cry "hold, enough."

To the question of recognition and intervention, the President devoted only a few words. We had a right to expect recognition long since, but it had not come, and his advice was, "Put not your faith in princes, nor your hopes upon foreign nations." It seemed that England still refused to take any steps toward either recognition or mediation. France had made a move that looked friendly to us, and when she extended the hand of friendship we would be ready to grasp it.

The President took a brief retrospective view of the movement of our armies since the fall of New-Orleans—and showed that we had not retrograded, but had gathered largely in strength. Armies are not made up in numbers only. We have now an army that we can safely rely on. We have stripped gunboats of their terrors. We have improved in all those things which make us invincible. Our prospects are much better than they were twelve months ago.

There are two grand objects of the enemy; 1st, to get possession of the river, and thus cut our Confederacy in two; and 2d, to seize the Confederate capital and hold it up to foreign nations as an evidence that the Confederacy does not exist. The President dwelt at some length upon the vast importance of thwarting the enemy's designs upon this metropolis; he considered its defence a necessity not only to the people here, but to the Confederacy itself. Vicksburgh and Port Hudson were points that must be defended, and every effort must be strained for this purpose. Vicksburgh, he said, would stand, and Port Hudson would stand, if the people were true to themselves. This done, the Northwest would grow restive, and cease to support a war ruinous to them, and beneficial only to New-England contractors. From the Northwest he looks for the first glimpse of peace.

The President expressed his gratification that Gen. PASSMANOR, whom he had sent here believing him eminently suited to this command, had sustained the high character he had given him. He also spoke of Brig.-Gen. LEE, to whom he had intrusted the defences of Vicksburgh, in terms of hearty commendation.

On the other side of the river our prospects are brighter than ever before, and are long to be hoped that we would be enabled to proclaim Missouri free. Kentucky, too, was an object of solicitude to him, and he spoke of her gallant people in the kindest and most commendable terms.

The President laid particular stress upon the encouraging fact that we had improved in every respect since the war begun. Our armies were superior in number, and improved in quality and appointments. Our manufactories had made rapid progress. Mississippi alone had clothed and subsisted the whole army upon her soil. Our people had learned to economize. They wore homespun. He felt like taking off his hat to a woman dressed in homespun. He had an unfaltering belief in the justice of our cause, and a profound reverence for the decree of Heaven. He noticed with evident satisfaction the superior morality of our army to that of the invaders. In God and he valor of our troops he trusted.

At the conclusion of his remarks, Gen. JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON was vociferously called for. The scar-worn hero looked a little nervous, while the house rang with loud, swelling and prolonged applause. He arose and said:

"FELLOW CITIZENS: My only regret is that I have done so little to merit such a greeting. I promise you, however, that hereafter I shall be watchful, energetic and indefatigable in your defence."

This speech was greeted with tremendous, uproarious and prolonged plaudits.

## JEF. DAVIS IN RICHMOND.

*From the Richmond Examiner, Jan. 9.*

Last night the Armory Band, at the instance of a number of citizens, serenaded the President at the Presidential mansion. About 500 persons were gathered by the music. After the performance of several airs, the President appeared in the doorway, and was introduced to the crowd, inadvertantly of course, as the "President of the United States." The throng hissed, and the gentleman introducing the President corrected his phraseology by substituting the "Confederate States."

Mr. DAVIS commenced by thanking his audience for the evidence of their regard. He was happy to meet them on his return to the capital of the Confederate States, to the seat of a Government established, he believed, to perpetuate the principles that animated our fathers of the first revolution. The Commonwealth of Virginia, too, has been the theatre now, as then, of the great battles of the contest. The blood of every State has been poured out on the soil of Virginia, and cries from the ground for revenge. Our long suffering and privations have been common heritage to us all, and will be in the future our common glory. Thus handed, we assist and strengthen each other. The war, too, has developed resources in the South that peace would have left dormant, and if the war continues, we will go on increasing in our power and might. Mark our power one year ago, and mark now our relative increase in proportion to the North. We are fighting against hirelings of all the earth. Our foes come as savages to murder, rob and desecrate, and we must treat them as such. Recently, our cause has had the bright sunshine to fall upon it. In the last month the gallant LEE has hurled the enemy for the third time from his feet in his march upon Richmond. A few of them came upon your Capital, but they came, as we hope many more will come upon the heel of every battle, as captives, not conquerors. In the West, a brilliant victory has crowned our arms at Murfreesboro—a victory that will yield its important fruits.

Mr. DAVIS spoke for about fifteen minutes, in the most vigorous and forcible style, and paid an honorable tribute to the women of Virginia, and their heroic devotion and care of the sick and wounded of our cause. In concluding, Mr. DAVIS said that, borne down by the cares of office and an anxiety for the cause in which every man, woman and child was engaged, he regretted that he had not more opportunity for social intercourse with the people by whom he was surrounded; but he hoped that in the halcyon days of peace to come they would see and know more of each other. In conclusion, Mr. DAVIS said: "I thank you, my friends; may God bless you and prosper our cause. Good night."

## Gen. Lee's Address to the Rebel Army.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA, Dec. 31, 1862.

GENERAL ORDER No. 138.—I, the General commanding, take this occasion to express to the officers and soldiers of the army, his high appreciation of the fortitude, valor and devotion displayed by them, which, under the blessing of Almighty God, have added the victory of Fredericksburgh to the long list of their triumphs.

An arduous march, performed with celerity, under many disadvantages, exhibited the discipline and spirit of the troops, and their eagerness to confront the foe.

The immense army of the enemy completed its preparations for the attack without interruption, and gave battle in its own time, and on ground of its own selection.

It was encountered by less than twenty thousand of this brave army, and its columns, crushed and broken, hurled back at every point with such fearful slaughter that escape from entire destruction became the boast of those who had advanced in full confidence of victory.

That this great result was achieved with a loss small in point of numbers, only augments the admiration with which the Commanding General regards the prowess of the troops, and increases his gratitude to Him who hath given us the victory.

The war is not yet ended. The enemy is still numerous and strong, and the country demands of the army a renewal of its heroic efforts in her behalf. Nobly has it responded to her call in the past, and she will never appeal in vain to its courage and patriotism.

The signal manifestations of Divine mercy that have distinguished the eventful and glorious campaign of the year just closing, give assurance of hope that, under the guidance of the same Almighty hand, the coming year will be no less fruitful of events that will insure the safety, peace, and happiness of our beloved country, and add new luster to the already imperishable name of the Army of Northern Virginia.

R. E. LEE, General.

Dr. J. WALTER SCOTT, the discoverer of the new system of medicine, and Chief Resident Physician to the New-York Medical Institute of Electricity and Hygiene, No. 6 Union-square, is a young man not yet thirty years of age, who, by unwearied energy and scientific research, has become one of the most successful practitioners in America.—*Journal of Commerce.*

[Advertisement.]

GALA TIMES TO-DAY AT BARNUM'S MUSEUM.—The little queen of beauty will be in her blandest mood to see the thousands of ladies and children who embrace the opportunity of the family holiday to see her, and witness the performance of the magnificent Irish drama, "Colleen Bawn," which is played at 3 and 7½ o'clock.

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## Passengers Arrived.

*In steam transport Key West from Key West.*—Mrs. Lieut. Gallo, Mr. J. Curran and 6 seamen from ship Thos. Jefferson.

*In ship J. Montgomery, from Lisbon.*—Capt. L. Bates, late of bark Columbia, condemned at Lisbon.

SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS—NEW-YORK.

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# MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....FRIDAY, Jan. 9.

### Arrived.

Steamship Baltic, Comstock, Key West Jan. 5, at 4 A. M., 10 miles east of Key West, passed steamship Star, bound westward; the steamer J. E. Green, sailed from Key West for New-York Jan. 4.

Steamer W. F. Bru